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Job loss less severe in Ottawa?

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Two-thirds of cuts to the federal public service seem to be taking place elsewhere across the country

Cuts to the federal public service appear to be occurring mostly outside Ottawa which is the opposite of what the government suggested it would do when it first announced the job reductions.

The vast majority of those federal job cuts, two-thirds of them, appear to be tak-ing place elsewhere across Canada.

The Flaherty budget, tabled last March, forecast 19,200 jobs eliminated and it promised that a heavy burden would be shouldered by the

national-capital region.

"A large proportion of full-time-equivalent reductions will occur in the National Capital Region," said the budget document. "The regional distribution of employment in the federal public service will be largely unaffected by the implementation of the departmental spending reductions."

But the regional distribution has inflicted most of the pain outside Ottawa, based on the notices sent so far to over 18,000 federal public servants that they could lose their jobs.

According to statistics compiled by the federal public-sector union, the Public Service Alliance of Canada, just 35 per cent of those notices have gone out in the national-capital region. Sixtyfive per cent have gone out elsewhere in the country.

Fourteen per cent of the notices have gone to employees in Ontario, 13 per cent were issued in Quebec, 12 per cent went to the Prairies and Atlantic Canada received 10 per cent.

Calls to the office of Finance Minister Jim Flaherty were referred to the Treasury Board, which did not respond to a request for comment from The Canadian Press.

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Watson backs casino but hedges bets



Mayor Jim Watson wants city council to pass a motion signaling interest in a new casino for Ottawa.

Watson signalled his own interest in the possibility via Twitter Monday afternoon.

The matter will come before the city's finance and economic development committee (FEDCO) on Oct. 2 before going to a council vote on Oct. 10. Watson stressed express-

Watson stressed expressing interest is not the same as approving — even if council votes in favour of the motion on Oct. 10, it will still have final say after the

Ontario Lottery and Gaming Commission brings forward a proposal.

"All we're saying is, in principle please consider us for a gaming facility," said Watson on Monday. Watson argued Ottawa

Watson argued Ottawa is "sending millions" to the Gatineau casino, and should try to "repatriate" the money.

He'd like to see that potential money split into two pots for the city: one dedicated to infrastructure, the other to economic development.

Asked whether the city

should devote any potential revenue to resources for problem gamblers, Watson said that is a provincial matter.

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"Yes, if there's a new gaming facility in Ottawa, there's going to be a need for additional support for those people with problem gambling habits," said Watson.

"We've been assured that you would see an increase in that funding from the provincial government."

The public can weigh in on the issue at the Oct. 2 meeting of FEDCO.

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Cop's alleged assault a crime of 'power, domination': Crown

Footage. Sgt. Steven Desjourdy was charged after a surveillance video shows a woman being stripped in a police cellblock



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An Ottawa cop accused of sexually assaulting a prisoner in a cellblock committed a crime of "power, domination, violence and aggression," a prosecutor told a judge Monday.

The Ontario Special Investigations Unit charged

The Ontario Special Investigations Unit charged Sgt. Steven Desjourdy in 2011 after reviewing Sept. 6, 2008, surveillance footage of a police cellblock intake in which he cut a woman's shirt and bra with a pair of scissors. The woman was arrested for public intoxication.

"The manner in which it was removed was excessive and it was sexually humiliat-

ing," said Crown prosecutor Chris Webb in an opening statement.

Desjourdy has pleaded not guilty to the charge of sexual assault which is before the court.

The woman's identity is protected by a publication ban. The woman was in court Monday morning, but Web said he will not ask her to testify.

The first witness to take the stand in the case, Const. Jennifer Biondi, told court she was dispatched to the Rideau Street and Cumberland Street area at 5:46 a.m. on Sept. 6, 2008. She said she conducted a roadside search of the woman before she was brought to the cellblock.

In her testimony she said the woman was being belligerent and unco-operative with police.

The woman was later charged with assaulting police, but those charges were stayed.

Ottawa Police Association president Matt Skof listened to testimony Monday and is providing moral support for



Desjourdy during the trial.

He said the matter should not have been brought to trial and he is anxious to get it over with. "This is our profession, this is what we do," he said when asked about the surveillance footage. "We do it clinically, we do it professionally.

"We have to deal with people who don't want to be in the cellblock."

More to come.

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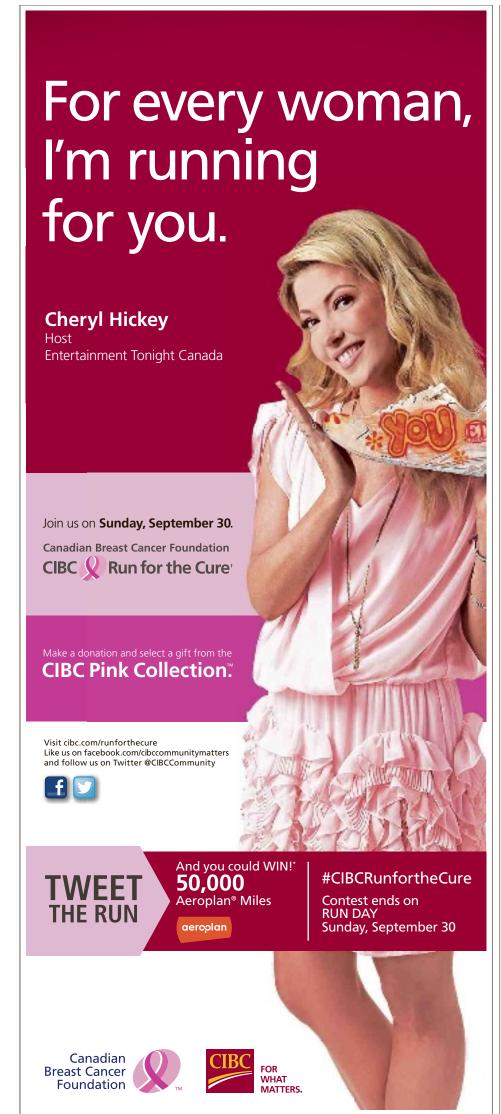
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Inset: Louis Doyle, left, and his son, Easter Seals' ambassador Jacob-Emmanuel Doyle, celebrate after Jacob-Emmanuel successfully rappelled the 18-storey National Ottawa Hotel & Suites downtown. GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

Ousting 3,000 immigrants will strain Federal Court: Law prof

New national immigration laws strain the Federal Court and raise spectres to scare the public into accepting draconian legislation, said an Ottawa law professor Monday.

"(Immigration Minister Jason) Kenney's recent reference that there are 11,000 more fraudulent immigrants in Canada is a bogeyman to scare the public and introduce draconian legislation," said Peter Showler, director of the Refugee Forum, at the University of Ottawa's Human Rights Research and Education Centre. "He has had parliament grant far broader power to the government than necessary."

The more than 3,000 immigrants to Canada who had their citizenship revoked Sept. 10 by Kenney will create a huge backlog for the Federal Court, Showler said.

"If 3.000 cases came to the

Federal Court, it would put a great strain on it," he said.

Each case of fraud would, on average, take five days to complete, he said. "I agree with the minister that fraud should be prosecuted. They will have to increase the number of justices to take on the load."

Yet backlogs at the Federal Court are the least of Canadians' worries, Showler noted.

"Legislation that spouses of landed immigrants have temporary permanent residence for three years is a far greater problem because it's a breeding ground for marital abuse," Showler said of regulatory changes introduced in March. "Notably, men have been abusive. They can hold it over their spouse's head for three years. The problem Kenney has created is much greater than what he set out to solve."

Showler also singled out

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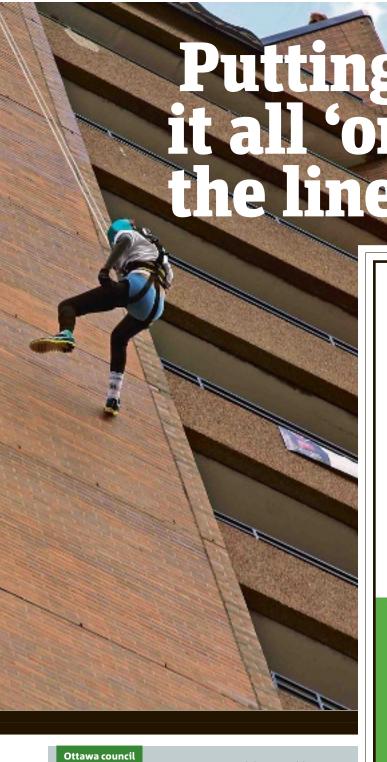
"The court already has a 65 per cent workload of immigration and refugee cases."

Peter Showler, Refugee Forum director

new 14-day and six-month timelines for refugee claims to be processed as being too short, Minister Kenney's treatment of Roma refugees and cuts to refugee health care.

"The interim health program outrageously cut back health care to the point that physicians went into the street to protest," he said. "The minister has constantly talked about the Roma as bogus refugees and completely overstated the case."

The minister's office did not respond to a request for comment. GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO



Taking the plunge. A downtown hotel hosted a vertigoinducing Easter Seals fundraiser complete with costumed superheroes



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Dressed as Iron Man, Thor and Wonder Woman, among others, 75 heroes of a different kind rappelled from an

18-storey downtown hotel to raise money for Easter Seals Monday

"We kept trying to discourage him from rappelling," Louis Doyle said of his son, Easter Seals' ambassador Jacob-Emmanuel Doyle. "He raised money for CHEO earlier this summer, but he wanted to raise more for Easter Seals too.'

In 2008, Jacob-Emmanuel lost motor function in his brain when a hemorrhage unexpectedly struck during a game of volleyball.

"I'm not really afraid," he said before taking the rappelling plunge for the first time. "I've done gliding two weeks

ago. You don't think of anything else. You're just doing it."

With the help of friends, family and neighbours, Jacob-Emmanuel said they had raised more than \$1,500. "I'd like to say thank you to all of them. My dad is being a good

dad for worrying about me."

The group aimed to raise more than \$120,500, some of which will go to Easter Seals Camp Merrywood, which takes in 72 campers for each 10-day session

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will be tabled as part of the overall municipal budget in October, still requires council approval.

Police given OK

to draft budget

increase despite

declining crime rate

Ottawa Police Chief Charles

committed to keeping budget

hikes to council's 2.5 per cent

At a meeting of Ottawa's

Police Services Board Monday

night, councillors approved

the police force's direction to draft a budget with an "up to" 2.5 per cent hike.

The draft budget, which

Bordeleau says his force is

"Our calls to service is going up — you have a city that is growing. And we also have compensation."

Bordeleau would not say whether he expects the

budget hike to be at or below the 2.5 per cent. Ottawa police tabled a budget with a 2.5 per cent in-

crease last October, bringing

their total operating budget to \$246.7 million. Another 2.5

per cent increase was forecast

for 2013 that year, meaning a

net increase of \$5.5 million. Despite a declining crime rate, Bordeleau said cost pres-

sures continue to increase.

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Bordeleau, pegging salaries

at 85 per cent of the force's

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table its 2013 budget on Oct.

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Government criticism. Vietnam hands bloggers lengthy sentences

A Vietnamese court issued jail sentences ranging from four to 12 years on Monday to three bloggers who wrote about human-rights abuses, corruption and foreign policy, intensifying a crackdown on citizens' use of the Internet to criticize the government.

The cases are particularly high-profile examples of the Communist government's attempts to stifle challenges to its authority on the Internet, which has emerged as a major avenue for dissent in the country of 87 million people.

American President Barack Obama has mentioned one of the defendants, and the mother of another died after setting herself on fire to protest her daughter's arrest.

The defendants, two men and one woman, are founding members of the Free Journalists' Club, a group of citizen journalists who posted their work on the Internet. They were found guilty of spreading "propaganda against the state."

Nguyen Van Hai, who has written under the pen name Dieu Cay or Tobacco Pipe, got 12 years, Ta Phong Tan received 10 years and Phan Thanh Hai got four years, according to defence lawyer Ha Huy Son.

The country regularly convicts dissidents, but sentences have generally been around five years. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Infected

Zombie bees hit Washington state

Washington state has its first "zombie bees."

The bees are infected with a parasite making them fly at night and lurch around erratically until they die. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Prophet mockery

3 men acquitted of murder plot

An appeals court has acquitted three men accused of plotting to murder a Swedish artist who had depicted the Prophet Muhammad as a dog.

Baby gorillas poached



Endangered species.

Grauer's gorilla deaths raise fears others have been killed in Congo

Endangered Grauer's gorillas are victims of ongoing violence and a new rebellion in eastern Congo. A decision to allow oil exploration in a national park there may put the gorillas at greater risk.

Virunga National Park's director, Emmanuel de Merode, said Monday that wildlife authorities rescued two baby gorillas in the space of a week this month.

Fighting between rival militia groups is making it impossible for wildlife authorities to find out how many of the Grauer's gorillas have been killed. Grauer's, also known as eastern lowland gorillas, exist

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"Baby gorilla trafficking is terribly damaging for gorilla populations."

Emmanuale de Merode, park director. Many of the gorilla's family members are usually killed to get the infant `only in eastern Congo. Experts estimate that fewer than 4,000 remain, down from about 17,000 in 1995, de Merode said in a statement.

The poaching comes as the park itself faces oil exploration. Congo's Hydrocarbons Minister Crispin Atama Tabe announced Monday that the government is authorizing the British firm SOCO to explore for oil in the park, Africa's oldest, created in 1925 under Belgian rule.

Virunga National Park, declared a UNESCO World Heritage site in the 1970s, is the only place on Earth that boasts all three African great apes in addition to elephants, buffalo, hippos, large antelopes, lions, leopards and a plethora of smaller animals and birds. Virunga and the SOCO concession encompass Lake Edward, one of the Central African great lakes that provides a livelihood for some 40.000 fishermen.

Atama Tabe told The Associated Press that oil exploitation could help bring security to volatile east Congo, although mining of the region's massive mineral riches has had the opposite effect, with various armed groups vying for control of revenues the minerals bring.

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Debate. Iconic host of scientific children's program criticizes push away from teaching evolution in U.S. schools

The man known to a generation of Americans as "The Science Guy" is condemning efforts by some Christian groups to cast doubts on evolution and lawmakers who want to bring the Bible into science class-

Bill Nye, a mechanical engineer and star of the popular 1990s TV show Bill Nye the Science Guy, has waded into the evolution debate with an online video that urges parents not to pass their religious-based doubts about evolution on to their children.

Nye has spent a career teaching science to children and teens with good-natured and sometimes silly humour, but has not been known to delve into topics as divisive as evolution.

Christians who view the stories of the Old Testament as historical fact have come to be known as creationists, and many argue that the world was created by God just a few thousand years ago.

The Earth is not 6,000 or 10,000 years old," Nye said in an interview with The Associated Press, citing scientists' estimates that it is about 4.5 billion years old. "It's not. And if that conflicts with your beliefs,

I strongly feel you should ques-

tion your beliefs." Millions of Americans do hold those beliefs, according to a June Gallup poll that found 46 per cent of Americans believe God created humans in their present form about 10,000 years ago.

Nye, 56, also decried efforts in recent years by lawmakers and school boards in some U.S. states to present Bible stories as an alternative to evolution in public schools. Tennessee passed a law earlier this year that protects teachers who let students criticize evolution and other scientific theories. That echoes a Louisiana law passed in 2008 that allows teachers to introduce supplemental teaching materials in science classes.

"If we raise a generation of students who don't believe in the process of science, who think everything that we've come to know about nature and the universe can be dismissed by a few sentences translated into English from some ancient text, you're not going to continue to innovate," Nye said in an interview. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



No sacrament without taxation

A Catholic reform group in Germany criticized the country's bishops Monday for declaring that believers who refuse to pay religious taxes won't be able to receive the sacrament, become godparents or work in church institutions. A century-old agreement with the state adds up to nine per cent to the income-tax bill of Germany's 25 million registered Roman Catholics, earning the church more than \$5.2 billion annually. The same tax applies to Protestants and Jews. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Saudi Arabia

Nigerian women kept from hajj

Nigerian officials say 398 Muslim women travelling to Mecca were temporarily held at a Saudi Arabian airport for travelling without male relatives. Spokesman Uba Mana said the women were allowed to proceed with their pilgrimage Monday. An agreement allows Nigerian women to perform haii without a male relative. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Prelude to Yom Kippur

Ultra-Orthodox Jews surround a pool as they participate in a Tashlich ceremony in the ultra-Orthodox Israeli town of Bnei Brak, Monday. Tashlich, which means "to cast away" in Hebrew, is the practice by which Jews go to a large flowing body of water and symbolically "throw away" their sins by throwing a piece of bread, or similar food, into the water before the Jewish holiday of Yom Kippur, which starts on Tuesday.

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A television monitor shows former FBI agent Joseph Pistone, a.k.a. Donnie Brasco, testifying Monday in Montreal behind a screen at the Charbonneau inquiry looking into corruption in the Quebec construction industry. Pistone infiltrated the Bonnano family and was the subject of the movie Donnie Brasco. RYAN REMIORZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quebec inquiry hears of inner workings of Mob

'Donnie Brasco' testifies. Underlings have to carry out orders without question — even to kill, ex-FBI agent says

The man who infiltrated the New York Mafia and inspired the movie Donnie Brasco is describing how he saw the underworld take over the construction businesses using methods that would be familiar to Quebecers to-

Joseph Pistone, a legendary FBI agent who spent six years undercover as a Mafia

Runaway schoolgirl

Teen and teacher may be in France

The parents of a missing British schoolgirl believed to have run away with her teacher have issued a plea for her to come home.

Authorities believe Megan Stammers, 15, is in France with 30-year-old Jeremy Forrest, a math teacher in East Sussex.

Her mother issued an emotional appeal Monday, begging her daughter to get in touch.

The alarm was raised Friday after Megan failed to turn up for school. Police believe she and Forest took a ferry to France. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

associate starting in the late 1970s, told the Charbonneau Commission about the inner workings of the Mob in the United States during his testimony on Monday.

He described its control over labour unions and businesses that owned raw construction materials — so it consistently managed to claim a piece of the profit, even for public contracts where a Mob-linked company wasn't ostensibly involved.

Pistone, now 73, discussed the ways of the underworld, including its moral codes and its list of offences that would get people killed. But what he has not done, so far, is delve into the

Not the movies

"Believe me — they don't quote Shakespeare. This is not the movies..."

Joseph Pistone, a former FBI agent, lamenting the romantic notions about the Cosa Nostra, thanks to Hollywood-fuelled images of men with colourful vocabularies

workings of the Canadian Mafia.

He had just begun discussing ties between the New York families and their Canadian counterparts when the testimony broke for lunch. When he came back in the afternoon, he discussed the construction industry. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Wild leap. Man wanted to be 'one with the tiger'

Before his tangle with a Bronx Zoo tiger, David Villalobos adorned his Facebook page with New Age odes to Mother Earth and affirmations like "Be love and fearless."

Police said Saturday that Villalobos, 25, had told detectives that it was without fear that he leaped from an elevated train into the animal's den. His reason, they said, was that "he wanted to be one with the tiger."

Villalobos also recounted how, after he landed on all fours, the 400-pound beast attacked him and dragged around by his foot, said New York Police Department spokesman Paul Browne. Despite serious injuries, he claimed he was able to get his wish and pet the tiger — a male Siberian named Bashuta — before his rescue.

Based on those admissions and a complaint from the zoo, police charged Villalobos with misdemeanour trespassing. Villalobos remains hospitalized with bites and punctures on his arms, legs, shoulders and back, as well as a broken right shoulder, right rib, right ankle and pelvis and a collapsed lung. Police said there was no indication he was intoxicated.

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Health officials monitoring fatal SARS-like virus

Familiar scene? So far there is no connection between the cases except for a history of travel in Saudi Arabia

Global health officials are closely following a new respiratory virus related to SARS that is believed to have killed at least one person in Saudi Arabia and left another person in critical condition in Britain.

The germ is a coronavirus, from a family of viruses that cause the common cold as well as SARS, the severe acute respiratory syndrome that killed some 800 people, mostly in Asia, in a 2003 epidemic.

In the latest case, British officials alerted the World Health Organization on Saturday of the new virus in a man who transferred from Qatar to be treated in London. He had recently travelled to Saudi Arabia and is now being treated in an intensive-care unit after suffering kidney failure.

Health officials don't know yet whether the virus could spread as rapidly as SARS did or if it might kill as many people.

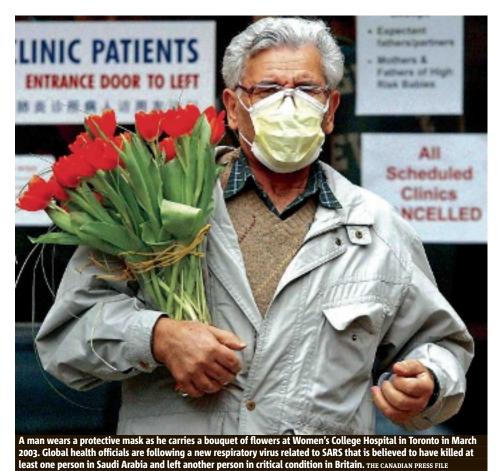
Hajj pilgrimage

Saudi officials said they were concerned the upcoming Hajj pilgrimage next month, which brings millions of people to Saudi Arabia from all over the world, could provide more opportunities for the virus to spread.

- They advised pilgrims to keep their hands clean and wear masks in crowded places.
- The Hajj has previously sparked outbreaks of diseases including the flu, meningitis and polio.

"It's still (in the) very early days," said Gregory Hartl, a WHO spokesman. "At the moment, we have two sporadic cases and there are still a lot of holes to be filled in."

Hartl said it was unclear how the virus spreads. Coronaviruses are typically spread in the air, but Hartl said scientists were considering the possibility that the patients were infected directly by animals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Coronavirus

New disease linked to SARS family

There are a large number of coronaviruses. Some infect animals, others infect birds and still others infect people. In humans, coronaviruses typically cause colds.

But a coronavirus was also the cause of the 2003 outbreak of severe acute respiratory syndrome or SARS, which killed 44 people in Toronto and about 775 people worldwide. The new coronavirus reportedly causes severe pneumonia and kidney failure.

To date there is no sign of spread to health-care workers, who often serve as inadvertent sentinels of the spread of infectious diseases. During SARS, for instance, health-care workers were disproportionately affected, catching the new virus from patients they were struggling to save.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Family of climber clings to hope

The sister of a Canadian cardiologist missing since an avalanche smashed into his climbing expedition on a Himalayan peak says she has no choice but to cling to the faint hope he will be found alive.

Quebec heart specialist Dominique Ouimet, 48, is among several people still missing on Mount Manaslu, the world's eighth-tallest peak. Officials say at least nine people are dead after the avalanche roared through their camp around 4 a.m. Sunday, while more than two dozen climbers were still sleeping in their tents. Rescue teams scoured the area Monday for six missing climbers.

The doctor's sister, Isabelle Ouimet, told Radio-Canada in an interview that she had not given up on the possibility that her brother is still alive.

On Monday, four rescue helicopters scanned the slopes peak in search of the missing.

By midday, rescuers had brought down eight bodies and were trying to retrieve the ninth from the area where the avalanche struck, police Chief Basanta Bahadur Kuwar said.

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'Hooey.' Clement denies using ghostwriter for town-hall tweets

Treasury Board President Tony Clement is dismissing as "hooey" a report suggesting he was not the author of his own tweets during an online town hall last year.

The Canadian Press, citing documents obtained under the Access to Information Act, reported this week that

Clement's staff did much of the tweet composition.

The documents said Clement had employed a "ghost-writer" to create tweets and that some were written before the town hall last December as stock answers.

"The ghostwriter worked with subject-matter experts to

identify responses to questions and then worked with Clement to determine how to tweet in his voice," the documents said.

But the minister took to Twitter on Monday to deny the report. "That's a bunch of hooey," Clement wrote. "Docs are wrong. I directed the responses." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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LINEUPS ARE FOR LUSHES



Last Saturday I found myself in a position I swore I'd avoid forever: standing in line for a bar and hating every minute of it. Strangely, I felt as if I were

the only person who understood what an awful reality the monstrously long line presented.

Didn't the crowd of party-rock enthusiasts surrounding me realize that the one-in-one-out policy meant they'd be going inside roughly five minutes before last call? No, they were snapping Instagram selfies, seemingly oblivious to the chilly, just-turned-fall breeze on their inexplicably bare arms and legs.

There is a certain kind of cynicism, or maybe we'll call

But seriously, why wait?

For Apple fanatics, the communal experience of waiting for the newest iThing is part of the fun, a shared cultural experience of electronic-device worship.

it wisdom, that comes with age. It dictates just how long you're willing to stand in line to go to the bar of the moment. I guess the under-25 set just has much more stamina when it comes to late-night lineups.

Most people would agree that waiting in line can be a frustrating, anxiety-inducing and altogether boring process. But we tend to experience lineups in different ways based on our desires, expectations and whether or

not we enjoy the company we're with.

In his article The Psychology of Waiting in Lines, former Harvard Business School professor David Maister examines how businesses and service organizations can improve the experience of waiting in line. Maister insists that it's how we wait — not how long we wait — that counts.

Lines we perceive to be unfair, unexplained or uncertain will always seem longer. On the other hand, queues that are reasonable, explained and predictable are much more bearable. Maister also points out that occupied time feels shorter than unoccupied time. This is why you'll find bad magazines in the waiting room at the dentist and mirrors in elevators.

Sometimes, lineups themselves aren't just a means to an end but part of the overall experience. Last week, devoted fanboys and fangirls camped out at Apple stores around the world in anticipation of the release of the iPhone 5, a shiny new smartphone marginally better than its shiny

For Apple fanatics, the communal experience of waiting for the newest iThing is part of the fun, a shared cultural experience of electronic-device worship.

Ultimately, lineups are inevitable and unavoidable airports, in emergency rooms and for every single public female bathroom in existence — but it isn't always the length of the line that determines whether or not some thing is worth the wait.

Unless it's already 1 a.m. and you're standing (in heels) behind 50 people in line for a bar. Then it's just time to go home.

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That's a jump to remember



War commemoration

Troops honour dead with airplane drop

Up to 1,100 troops from Holland, Belgium, Britain, Canada, Germany and the U.S. parachuted from airplanes above Ginkel Heath in the Netherlands.

The annual paratrooper drop this past weekend was to commemorate the Second World War's Battle of Arnhem, a significant airborne attempt by the Allies to cross the Rhine River. **METRO**

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Organizer's viewpoint

"It was a perfect opportunity for active servicemen to perform a true paratroop drop with their NATO allies."

Thijs van der Laan, communication adviser at the Airborne Commemoration Foundation (for the Battle of Arnhem) Van der Laan told Metro that preparations van der Ladit lotte Metro tind preparations to celebrate in two years, which will mark the 70th anniversary of the battle, are already underway. He noted that high members of the British and Dutch royal families would be in attendance.

History unearthed

Soldier's body found before ceremony

This year's commemoration was given added significance with the discovery of a British paratrooper's remains, almost 68 years to the day after he was killed in action.

The body — believed to be that of a soldier from Britain's 4th Parachute Brigade was found with a metal detector. Two hand grenades were located near the body — the explosives were detonated on the spot.

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Check out the video metronews.ca.



@tayleighbennett: #ThingsISayAlot "I'm never drinking again"

gross since the writing explicitly said that Rafe was the father figure Sami will always chase after.

@Cathangel:

@RealKDPFan4Eva @nbcdays So either she gets over her Rafe complex/plays him to expose the baby lie or I'm out. #EJami or

bust like you said.

@lesliecheeseman:

In today's episode, I mistake an EX for a homeless person and offer him money for a shelter. Good gracious!

@GregMcCambley:

@JuicyJincey Next we'll be hearing that cigarettes are a great appetite suppressant, and that drinking and driving is harmless..



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'Still too pricey'

Facebook stock takes another dive

Facebook Inc.'s stock took a hit Monday after an article in the financial magazine Barron's said it is "still too pricey" despite a sharp de cline since its initial public offering.

Though Facebook's stock has plunged since

its May IPO, Andrew Bary at Barron's said the stock trades at "high multiples of both sales and earnings, even as uncertainty about the outlook for its business

Facebook's stock fell \$2.20 US, or 9.6 per cent, to \$20.66 US in afternoon trading. The company went public on May 18 at a share price of \$38 US.

Code-share agreement

WestJet adds BA to network

WestJet Airlines Ltd. has added British Airways as its eighth code-share partner. enabling the U.K. carrier to sell seats on WestJet's planes. The deal is meant to draw more international travellers into Westlet's network. The Canadian Press

Labour negotiations

CAW asks Chrysler workers to hang on

The Canadian Auto Workers urged its members at Chrysler to be patient and stay on the job as formal talks resumed Monday, following a weekend pause while the union ensured ratification of a deal with Ford. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Consumer debt

Canadians don't mind borrowing, survey finds

A new poll suggests that most Canadians are quite comfortable with using debt as a financial strategy — at a time when debt loads have risen to alarming new highs.

The survey, done for bankruptcy trustees Hoyes, Michalos & Associates, finds nine out of 10 respondents would consider borrowing money to cover an unexpected cost.

The poll by Harris/ Decima asked respondents how confident they were about being able to raise \$2,000 within a month if an unexpected need arose. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Mortgage rules slow housing market: Report

August figures. Sales drop occurred in 21 of 28 metropolitan areas across Canada, says Conference Board

Canada's housing market appears to be cooling across the board in the face of tighter mortgage rules that affect many first-time buyers of modest means, a new analysis from the Conference Board shows.

The think tank's snapshot of resales for August shows a widespread decline in sales of existing homes, with 21 of 28 metropolitan markets registering a drop from July, and 16 of the markets showing a

falloff of five per cent or more. As well, listings fell in 17 of the 28 markets, an indication that owners were reluctant to place their homes for sale due to soft conditions.

Senior economist Robin Wiebe of the Conference Board said there was evidence of cooling in some markets

"When you see sales down in three-quarters of the market, that means it's pretty widespread."

Robin Wiebe, senior economist, Conference Board

particularly Vancouver and before the new rules went into effect July 9. But the new data shows the slowdown has spread to most markets and from coast to

"When you see sales down in three-quarters of the mar-ket, that means it's pretty widespread," he said. "It's knocked previously high-flying markets like Regina and Saskatoon down a peg. Vancouver had been showing signs of cooling, now it's spread out into the Fraser Valley."

Still, the latest data shows that while sales and listings are down, prices appear to be holding steady.

THE CANADIAN PRESS



Wrong call: iPhone 5 sales disappoint analysts

Staff welcome customers Friday at the Apple store in Hong Kong, as sales of the new iPhone 5 got underway. On Monday, Apple Inc. said that it sold more than five million units of the iPhone 5 in the three days since the model's retail launch — less than analysts had expected. KIN CHEUNG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

iPhone maker halts northern China plant after 2,000-employee brawl

The company that makes Apple's iPhones suspended production at a factory in China on Monday after a brawl by as many as 2,000 employees at a dormitory injured 40 people. The fight, the cause of

which was under investigation, erupted Sunday night at a privately managed dormitory near a Foxconn Technology Group factory in the northern city of Taiyuan, the company and Chi-

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nese police said. A police statement reported by the official Xinhua News Agency said 5,000 officers were dispatched to the

The Taiwanese-owned company declined to say whether the factory was involved in iPhone production. It said the facility, which employs 79,000 people, would suspend work Monday and reopen Tuesday.

Foxconn makes iPhones and

iPads for Apple Inc. and also assembles products for Microsoft Corp. and Hewlett-Packard Co. It is one of China's biggest employers, with some 1.2 million workers in factories in Taivuan. the southern city of Shenzhen, in Chengdu in the west and in Zhengzhou in central China.

The fight in Taiyuan started at 11 p.m. on Sunday, "drawing a large crowd of spectators and triggering chaos," a police

spokesman was quoted by Xinhua as saying.

Order was restored after about four hours and several people were arrested, said the company, a unit of Taiwan's Hon Hai Precision Industry Co.

Comments posted on Chinese Internet bulletin boards said the violence might have erupted after a security guard hit an employee.

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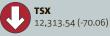
China-Japan tensions

Dispute over islands leads to customs delays

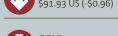
Japanese exporters are facing delays in shipments to some Chinese cities due to stepped-up customs inspections as tensions between the two countries over disputed islands remain elevated. The delays in shipments to China have been caused by increased vetting by customs officials in Guangzhou, Shanghai and Tianjin, an official with the Japan External Trade Organization said Monday THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Market Minute



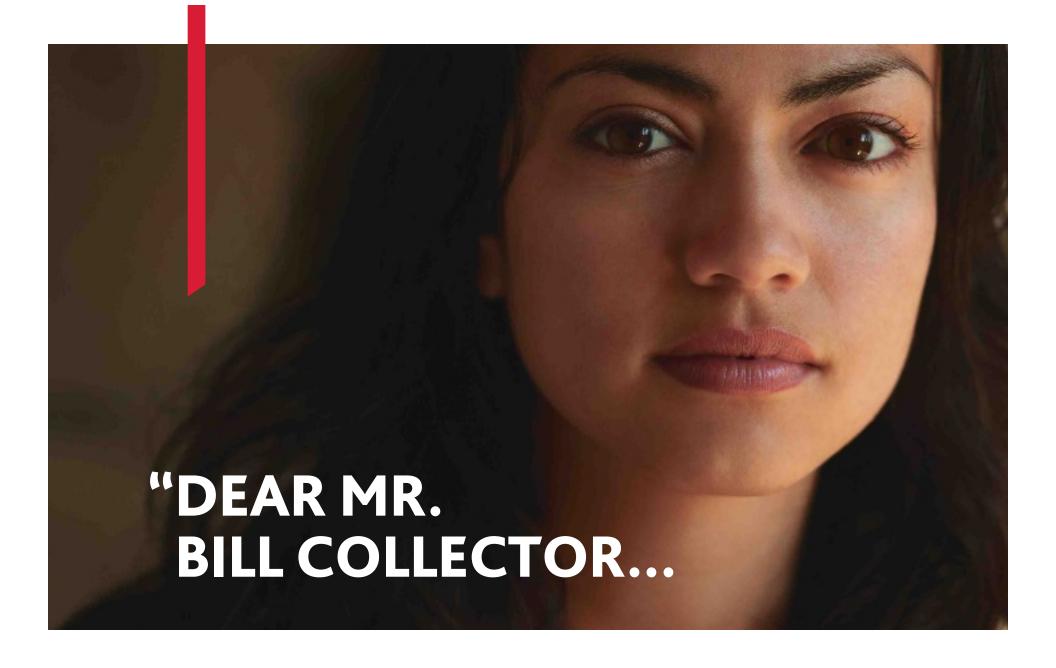








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Besides, it's fun.

This Sept. 28-30, be part of Culture Days in Ottawa — your chance to meet local artists, learn about what they do, and perhaps be creative yourself.

Want to learn pottery? Needlework? Maybe you are interested in painting or dance? Try them all at different Culture Days activities. If you would rather just watch and listen to the artists work, that's fine, too. Everything is free.

Activity stations are set up around the city. Many are located in hubs: The Canadian War Museum; City of Ottawa — Nepean Creative Arts Centre; City of Ottawa — Nepean Visual Arts Centre; Orpheus Musical Theatre Society; the Arts Court; Shenkman Arts Centre; and the National Arts Centre — allowing you and your family to visit several without travelling far.

You will find something for everyone at Culture Days.

Explore new depths of meaning with Éric Charlebois, whose French-language Poetry Workshop will have you composing verses in less than an hour.

For something different, attend Freedom of Association: Dennis Tourbin and Other Artists, an exhibition examining cubism and collage in the work of Canadian artists.

PLAN YOUR WEEKEND ONLINE

With more than 150 Culture Days activities scheduled in Ottawa, the **Sun Life Bright Spots Schedule** is going to come in handy.

It's easy to use.

Just create an account using the "My Culture Days" portal on culturedays.ca. Once you are logged in, browse registered activities and select those you wish to attend. They will automatically appear in a customized three-day schedule. If an activity happens more than once over the Culture Days weekend, it will appear on each day and at each time it's scheduled.

You can even print your complete **Bright Spots Schedule** as a PDF, export it to popular calendar platforms and email it to yourself. You can also visit culturedays.ca to search for events by postal code, consult maps, or to browse by art form, keywords, etc.

Ready to move? Learn the Dance of Love — or just watch — at Tango Dance Party, an event led by one of Ottawa's best dance duos, Brigitte and Francis Caron. Feel the need to felt? Learn how in a felting class, then head home with a handmade project all your own.



Culture Days celebrates Ottawa history, too. Heritage-themed events include a guided canoe tour of the Rideau River, organized by the Billings Estate National Historic Site. Take it and see your city in a new way.

And don't forget: Culture Days isn't just good for you. It's good for artists, too.

As a collaborative, Canada-wide volunteer movement, Culture Days brings needed exposure to creators across the country. Alisdair MacRae, an artist working in sculpture and installation at the Nepean Creative Arts Centre, remembers his Culture Days 2011 experience fondly:

"I had been trying to grow loofahs as a project, and wanted to share the experience with visitors through Culture Days," he says. "Though I participated as an individual, being located in an arts complex helped me attract more visitors. One person saw my event posted on the Culture Days website and made the trip just to learn more about growing loofahs.

"Culture Days allowed me to connect my studio practice with the public in a meaningful way. I would gladly participate again."

To learn more about Culture Days activities near you, visit culturedays.ca.

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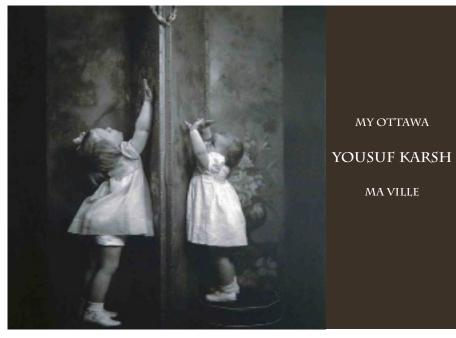




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September 29
9 a.m. to 12 p.m



CULTURE DAYS HIGHLIGHTS

YOUR GUIDE TO ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

WHAT: Canoe Tour of the Rideau River. Experience the history of the Rideau River in a whole new way with a guided paddle impact that the Billings and others had on the area from when they arrived in 1812 to today. You must bring your own equipment including canoe or kayak, paddles and life-jackets.

WHO: Billings Estate National Historic

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, 1-3:30 p.m. **WHERE:** Departing from Windsor Park from the dock between Windsor Avenue and Belmont Avenue.

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF CIVILIZATION

WHAT: So You Want to be a Filmmaker? Create an animated film with help from the National Film Board's PixStop appli-

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along the historic waterway. Discover the cation. PixStop is a user-friendly app that makes it easy to create stop-motion films. The iPads are supplied, and you provide the script. Once completed, share your masterpiece with friends online.

WHO: Canadian Museum of Civilization. WHEN: Sunday, Sept. 30, noon to 4 p.m. WHERE: 100 Laurier St., Gatineau, Que.

WHAT: Royal "Pop-up Museum." Do you have any royal-themed collectibles in your basement or china cabinet? If so, this is your chance to share your spectacular item with others. Bring your treasure and participate in a royal-themed "pop-up museum," a collective display of all things royal.

WHAT: Canadian Museum of Civilization. WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, 2-4 p.m.



WHERE: 100 Laurier St., Gatineau, Que.

CANADIAN WAR MUSEUM

WHAT: Wampum Weaving. First People made wampum belts to record important events. Learn some basics of weaving and make your own wampum-inspired keychain to record your visit to the Canadian War Museum.

WHO: Canadian War Museum WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, and Sunday, Sept. 30, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

WHERE: 1 Vimy Place.

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WHAT: Quill Pen Writing. During the War of 1812, important messages were written using a quill pen, sealed with wax and hand-delivered. Write your own letter with a quill pen and seal it to keep it secret.

WHO: Canadian War Museum. WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, and Sunday, Sept. 30, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. WHERE: 1 Vimy Place.

NEPEAN CREATIVE ARTS CENTRE

WHAT: Zumba class. The whole family can participate and find out what this popular trend is all about! No experience neces-

WHO: City of Ottawa.

WHEN: Sunday, Sept. 30, noon to 2 p.m. WHERE: 35 Stafford Rd.

WHAT: Parent and Child Hand Drumming Learn the joy of music through hand drumming. Join a drum circle and learn traditional African and Latin rhythms on djembes, congas, timbales, and more. No musical training required.

WHO: City of Ottawa.

WHEN: Sunday, Sept. 30, 11 a.m. to noon. WHERE: 35 Stafford Rd.

WHAT: Discover Open House at the Gar-

dener's House Artists' Studios. Inside a

small white bungalow at Britannia beach

exist five artist studios. Let curiosity get

with the artists as they paint, draw, sculpt

in their studios and exhibit their artwork.

the better of you and talk and interact

WHO: City of Ottawa.

WHERE: 104 Greenview Ave

NEPEAN VISUAL ARTS CENTRE

WHAT: Watercolour Painting. Have you always wanted to try watercolour painting? Supplies provided. Beginners wel-

WHO: City of Ottawa — Nepean Visual WHEN: Sunday, Sept. 30, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Arts Centre

WHEN: Friday, Sept. 28, 7:30-9:30 p.m. WHERE: 1701 Woodroffe Ave.

WHAT: Pottery Handbuilding. Have you always wanted to try a clay class off the wheel? Supplies provided. Absolute

beginners welcome. **WHO:** City of Ottawa — Nepean Visual Arts Centre.

WHEN: Friday, Sept. 28, 5-7 p.m. and 7:30-9:30 p.m.

WHERE: 1701 Woodroffe Ave.

WHAT: Parent and Child Pottery. Have you always wanted to try pottery? Supplies provided. Absolute beginners

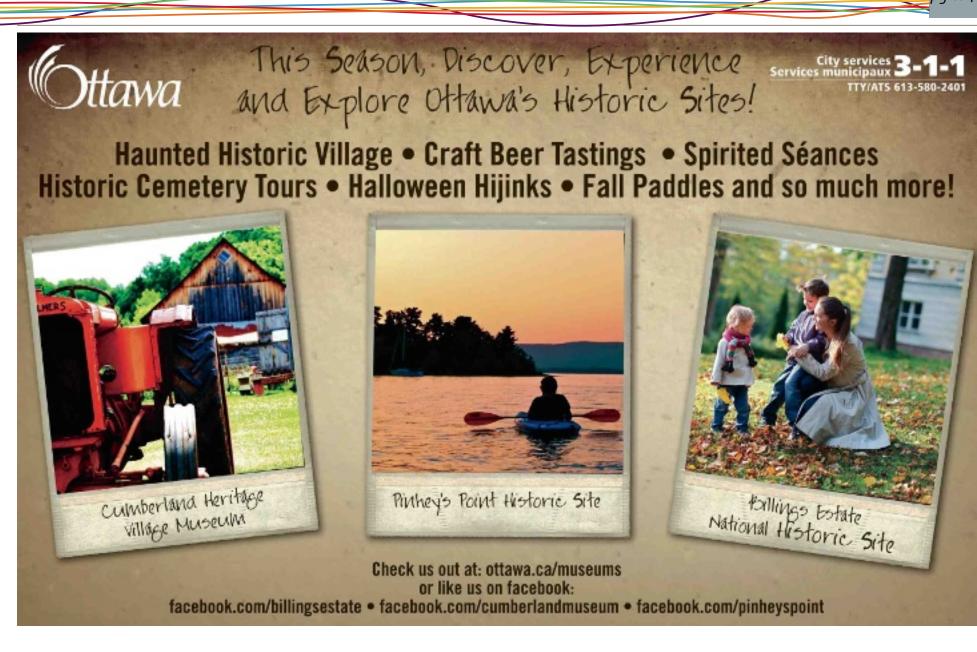
WHO: City of Ottawa — Nepean Visual Arts Centre.

WHEN: Friday, Sept. 28, 4:30-6:30 p.m. WHERE: 1701 Woodroffe Ave.

WHAT: Weaving. Learn the basics of the ancient art of weaving with textile artist Laura Fauquier. Participants will have hands-on tactile experience as well as learn to capture colour and texture. WHO: Ottawa Arts Court.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, noon to 4 p.m. WHERE: 2 Daly Ave.

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WHAT: Electronic Sampling Beat Making.

Make beats from a variety of sounds and learn how to sample, record and edit the sample.

WHO: Ottawa Arts Court.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, 2:45-5:30 p.m.

WHERE: 2 Daly Ave.

WHAT: Arts Court Fusion of Exhibits,
Dance Theatre & Media Arts. Visit a

number of visual art exhibitions, view musicians, theatre and dance performers, as well as participate in numerous workshops.

WHO: Ottawa Arts Court.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, noon to 4 p.m.

WHERE: 2 Daly Ave.

WHAT: *Squishy Circuit and LED Foldie workshops.* Ignite your creativity with Artengine's fun electric art projects.

WHO: Ottawa Arts Court.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, noon to 4 p.m.

WHERE: 2 Daly Ave.

WHAT: Creations In Vivo Steamfunk.

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world. Leather, copper, steel and boldness are part of their tribute to the Victorian steam era.

WHO: Ottawa Arts Court.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, noon to 4 p.m. **WHERE:** 2 Daly Ave.

SHENKMAN ARTS CENTRE

WHAT: Étudiants et d'anciens de La Cité Collégiale (Students and Alumni of La Cité Collégiale)

WHO: LaLande + Doyle Exhibition Space **WHEN:** Vernissage and exhibit, 1-3 p.m.; artist walk-through, 1:30-2 p.m.

WHERE: 245 Centrum Blvd.

WHAT: Festival X Exhibit — Jonathan Hobin: Attic Urchins

WHO: Ottawa School of Art Orleans Campus Gallery

WHEN: Exhibit, 1-3 p.m.; artist walkthrough, 1:30-2 p.m.

WHERE: 245 Centrum Blvd.

WHAT: Vladimir Frolov: I Did Not Kill the Group of Seven

WHO: AOE Arts Council Gallery **WHEN:** Exhibit and meet and greet, 1-3 p.m.

WHERE: 245 Centrum Blvd.



NATIONAL ARTS CENTRE

WHAT: Tango Dance Party (a Milonga). Slip into your tango shoes, learn a few dance steps and dance with some of Ottawa's best tango dancers — or just come to watch — on the Theatre Stage, led by Ottawa's favourite tango dancers, Brigitte and Francis Caron of Siempre Tango.

WHO: National Arts Centre. **WHERE:** Sunday, Sept. 30, 1-4 p.m.

WHERE: 53 Elgin St.

WHAT: NAC Backstage visits. See the National Arts Centre backstage areas like you have never seen before — up close and personal.

WHO: National Arts Centre.

WHEN: Sunday, Sept. 30, noon to 4 p.m.

WHERE: 53 Elgin St.

WHAT: *NAC Art Guided Tour.* Get a guided tour of the NAC's extensive visual art collection (indoors and outdoors) departing once an hour on the hour starting at noon.

WHO: National Arts Centre.

WHEN: Sunday, Sept. 30, noon to 3 p.m.

WHERE: 53 Elgin St.

WHAT: Live Band Karaoke. You are the star in this version of karaoke where you will be accompanied by a live band of top-notch Ottawa musicians. Choose your favourite selection of tunes and sing your heart out in the cosy atmosphere of the Fourth Stage cabaret.

WHO: National Arts Centre. **WHEN:** Sunday, Sept. 30, 1-4 p.m.

WHERE: 53 Elgin St.

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Make the last two weekends in September the perfect fall outing by biking, driving or walking around the local neighbourhoods and exploring the studios of local artists to get a first-hand look at their creative processes and their latest artworks.

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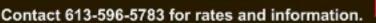
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for group workshops in various mediums.







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ORPHEUS MUSICAL THEATRE SOCIETY

WHAT: Guided Tours of Orpheus House.

Tours will allow participants to view the costume, set-building, props and scenepainting areas and meet the volunteers who bring the musicals to life. There will also be opportunities to attend workshops and mini-performances in the rehearsal space, Rice Hall.

WHO: Orpheus Musical Theatre Society. WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. **WHERE:** 17 Fairmont Ave.

WHAT Footloose Dance Moves. Cut loose and learn a few dance moves from Footloose, Orpheus Musical Theatre Society's first show of the 2012-13 season. Choreographer Gabe Wolinsky will be on hand to share with you some of the ways in which he creates a dance for the show. Wear comfortable clothing that allows you to move to the beat.

WHO: Orpheus Musical Theatre Society. **WHEN:** Saturday, Sept. 29, 10:30-11 a.m. WHERE: 17 Fairmont Ave.

OTTAWA LITTLE THEATRE

WHAT: Curtains Up! Way Up! Visit a working theatre and take a look behind and above the curtain. The machinery of the stage will be exposed and explained to everyone interested in seeing how it all works.

WHO: Ottawa Little Theatre. WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, 3-5 p.m. WHERE: 400 King Edward Ave.

WHAT: Actors' Gym Improv Workshop. This free participatory workshop will introduce you to one of the activities explored



in the Ottawa Little Theatre's weekly Actors' Gym program, which uses scene study, improv and other techniques to help actors develop and keep their acting "muscles" in shape.

WHO: Ottawa Little Theatre. WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, 1-3 p.m. WHERE: 400 King Edward Ave.

OTTAWA PUBLIC LIBRARY

WHAT: Family Storytime. Stories, rhymes and songs for children of all ages and a parent or caregiver. Registration required. WHO: Ottawa Public Library — Centennial branch.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, 10-10:30 a.m. WHERE: 3870 Richmond Rd.

WHAT: Stories for the joy of it with storyteller Katherine Grier. Katherine Grier will take you on a journey through



imagined worlds. Ages 4-8. Registration required.

WHO: Ottawa Public Library — Greely branch.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, 2:30-3:30 p.m. WHERE:1448 Meadow Dr.

WHAT: Kickin' Crafts. Love to craft? Check out the Ottawa Public Library. Ages 9-12. Registration required.

WHO: Ottawa Public Library — Greenboro branch.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, 2-3 p.m.

WHERE: 363 Lorry Greenberg Dr.

WHAT: Antique Evaluation Clinic. Janet Carlile, an independent and accredited antique appraiser with CBC's Canadian Antiques Roadshow and 30 years' international experience gained with major auction houses in Europe and North America, will describe the history of your favourite household treasure at this Antique Roadshow-style evaluation clinic. Registration required. Maximum of one item per person.

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WHO: Ottawa Public Library — Sunnyside branch.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, 2-4 p.m. WHERE: 1049 Bank St.

ROYAL CANADIAN MINT

WHAT: Royal Canadian Mint Activities.

Take a free Coin Discovery Tour. Get a chance to meet and interact with our own engravers and artists. Test your knowledge by taking part in a fun and friendly trivia game about the Mint's history, coins, and culture.

WHO: Royal Canadian Mint.

WHEN: Friday, Sept. 28 to Sunday, Sept. 30, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

WHERE: 320 Sussex Dr.





DVD Reviews

The Avengers
Directed by: Joss Whedon
and Zak Penn
Starring: Samuel L. Jackson,
Robert Downey Jr., Mark Ruffalo and Scarlett

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Johansson

You don't have to sport a propeller beanie to enjoy The Avengers, which may be the highest possible praise for what director Joss Whedon and co-writer Zak Penn have wrought in their energizing superhero adventure.

Whether you love or merely like The Avengers will likely come down to the performances of the ensemble, and not the perfunctory plot or the on-the-fly back story.

And what an ensemble

Samuel L. Jackson is Nick Fury, the director of a global peacekeeping agency comprised of a fistful of Marvel Comics superheroes that include Iron Man (Robert Downey, Jr.), The Hulk (Mark Ruffalo), Captain America (Chris Evans), Thor (Chris Hemsworth) and newcomer to the team the Black Widow (Scarlett Johansson), a lethal gymnast.

They're summoned to join together to fight the threat posed by Thor's angry adoptive brother, who is in cahoots with a reptilian alien race called Chitauri

PETER HOWELL

Damsels in Distress Directed by: Whit Stillman Starring: Greta Gerwig and Adam Brody

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Whit Stillman's screwball college comedy Damsels in Distress is only the fourth film in his 22-year career and his first since The Last Days of Disco in 1998. Perhaps he needs all that time to write and store up the amusing aphorisms that issue from the mouths of his creations.

He reserves his best bon mots for lead damsel Violet (Greta Gerwig), who leads a quartet of do-gooders determined to help people improve themselves at Seven Oaks College, even if it kills them.

"There's enough material here for a lifetime of social work," Violet sighs, looking around her at all the moody girls and moronic boys who have alarmingly shot up the campus suicide rate.

Aptly named campus newspaper editor Rick DeWolfe (Zach Woods) and Violet share a brisk exchange about who's in the know about what's really going down, in a moment that is scathing comedy. But the two hardly cross paths after this, and the loss is felt.

PETER HOWELL



Getting physical with Looper's Emily Blunt

Q & A. Actress dishes on her rough-and-tumble role while giving us a taste of her nerdier side



NED EHRBAR Metro World News in Hollywood

We sat down with Looper star Emily Blunt to talk about getting physical for her role in the film — namely, wielding a shotgun and an axe, despite the proper training — and how she got back at director Rian Johnson.

She also got into a bit of name-calling when the subject of time travel came up, but she can get away with it.

In this movie, you are quite handy with a shotgun.

Yeah! I hopefully didn't look like a sissy with a shotgun, so that's good.

No, you were very convincing, very threatening. How

much prep did you do for that?

With the shotgun? The thing I prepped for, actually, was

the chopping wood.

That's the thing I practiced for about a month beforehand in my backyard.

I had this guy come over and deliver logs and an axe, and he was like, "There you go." And I was like, "Oh, I don't know how to do this," and he was like, "I don't know how to do this either."

So I just practiced for a while. And that was probably the hardest scene to shoot, the chopping wood scene. Physically, by the end of the day I was just like, "Argh!"

I don't know how many takes you had to do...

A lot. A lot.

And did you exact any sort of revenge on Rian for making you chop so much wood?

I don't think I did, actually. I mean, maybe the most vengeful thing that hapQuoted

"The thing I prepped for, actually, was the chopping wood. That's the thing I practiced for about a month beforehand in my backyard. I had this guy come over and deliver logs and an axe."

Emily Blunt

pened was that we had to put fake blood on everyone, and the little boy hated it, so we doused Rian with fake blood as well just so he would feel like one of the team.

But it didn't help. The kid still hated it.

That's good, I think, that the kid hated being doused in fake blood.

Well, he should, right? He's five. He should hate that.

I'm still trying to wrap my

head around the fact that the guy who delivers the wood and the axe doesn't know how to use it.

I know, I know. He just dropped the logs off and was like, "I think you kind of do it like this." I was like, "Oh great. I'll figure it out."

I wanted to talk a little bit, briefly about time travel...

Nerd

Yes, yes. I am. Did you guys spend any time off-screen actually trying to wrap your heads around time travel?

I mean, I never get too wrapped up in the technological stuff. I don't really geek out for that stuff. I'm not the best person to nerd out with over time

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Beth Ditto looks back on her career, and forward to even more success

Outspoken, and proud

of it. Gossip singer credits her long years with the band for the steady evolution and maturity of their sound

JÉRÔME VERMELIN

Metro World News in Pari

Beth Ditto doesn't mince her words. Gossip fans love the 31-year-old both for her sensual voice and her feistiness. Ditto is openly gay and 100 per cent comfortable with her curves. Her life has been one extraordinary journey, which she reflects upon in her upcoming biography, Coal to Diamonds.

Is it fair to say you now have the career of your dreams?

I think so. It's incredible to still be a part of Gossip. We grew up together, and the people we work with are real friends. I've spent half of my life in this group. When we



first started we were a small punk rock band and now, we're living these incredible experiences. We still get excited about that. But we're also very tired...

Gossip seems to change its

look and sound with every new album. Has this got something to do with your musical influences? I'm obsessed with David Roy

I'm obsessed with David Bowie. Did you know that?

I did think you were...

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You and I, we're going to go meet him. Let's share our connections. Lately, I've felt really inspired by David Bowie. I spent my life listening to his music, but it's only now

I realize how much he's in-

spired me. Rediscovering art-

ists is almost more amazing than discovering new ones. Bowie's lyrics are beautiful – he's both an eccentric and a gentleman.

He's super creative and his music is stunning. But the people that have inspired me most are close members of my family including my mother and sister. Musicians such as Tobi Vail and actresses, such as like Whoopi Goldberg have also inspired me.

You do know Whoopi is in Paris at the moment, for the premiere for Sister Act...

premiere for Sister Act... Whoopi Goldberg is in Paris! Are you kidding me (turns to her team)? Call my manager, I have to see her! Did you know that Sister Act 2 is my favourite movie?

Number 2? Not number 1?

Number 2 is cooler. And Lauryn Hill is in it! Whoopi Goldberg is incredible, I watch her talk show back in the states and I truly believe that woman is the voice of reason.

ABBA heavily influenced your last album, A Joyful Noise. Did this surprise the original Gossip fans?

All the groups that I love, even the most punk ones like the Germs, all love ABBA. The beauty of being in your 30s is that you have this ability to come to terms with groups that influenced you in your youth. You're proud of the music you listened to in the past. Some say we're no longer relevant, I say we're just at an age when we're comfortable with who we are.

As the lead singer of Gossip, do you like reading gossip and celebrity magazines?

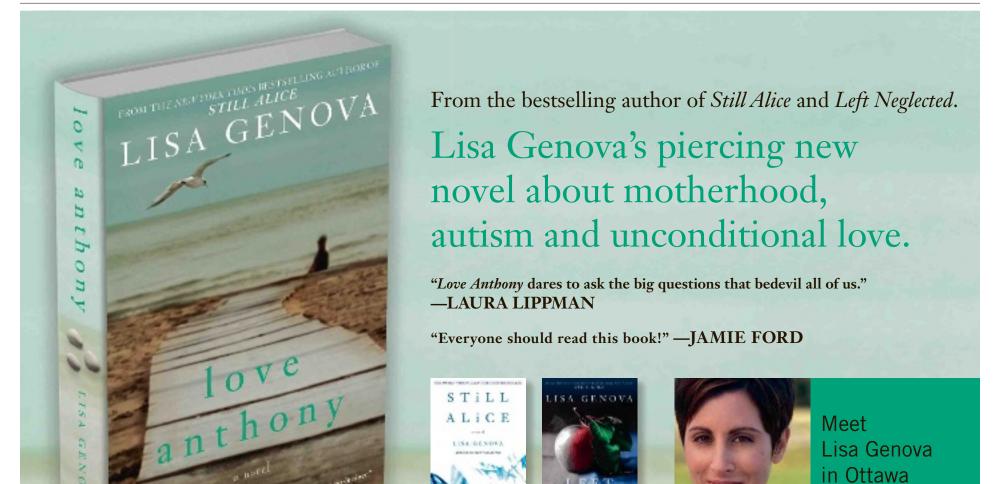
It depends on the celebrity. If its about me, I love it! There's nothing better than being able to read a load of bulls— that's been written about me. Ironically, the true story is usually much worse than the version reported by the magazine. Unfortunately, people tend to believe what's written in the papers — even my girlfriend!

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Pacey picks up: Holmes dials Dawson's co-star

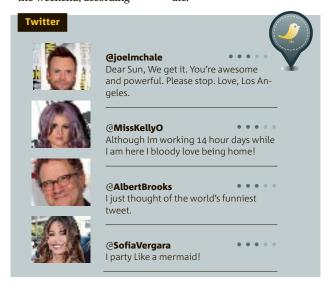
So what's one of the first things Katie Holmes did after splitting with husband Tom Cruise? Reconnect with old friends. Former Dawson's Creek co-star Joshua Jackson confirms that he recently heard from Holmes in an interview on George

Stroumboulopoulos Tonight. Jackson, who was rumoured to be linked romantically to Holmes years ago, says they had a "very nice" chat. "Like any old friend, it was like, 'Oh hi, how are you? What's going on?' 'I had a kid,'" he says. "I was very nice, actually."



Did a night at the movies rekindle this romance?

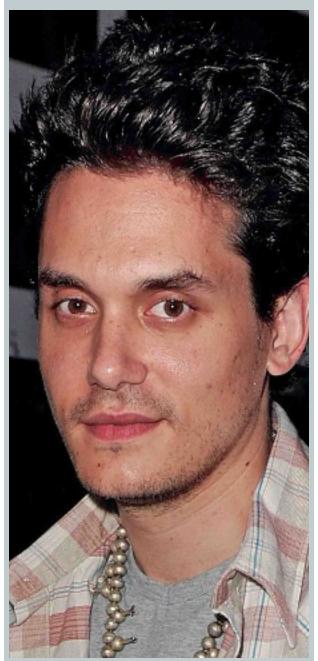
Bradley Cooper and his The Words co-star Zoe Saldana are fueling suspicion once again that they're more than just friends, looking quite cosy after taking in a movie together in Los Angeles over the weekend, according to People magazine. The pair first sparked romance rumours while filming their indie drama and then again in January at the Sundance Film Festival, where they were "being very affectionate"



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How does John Mayer do it?



THE WORD

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John Mayer's little black book reads like a who's who of GQ magazine covers: There's Jennifer Love Hewitt, Jessica Simpson, Jennifer Aniston, Minka Kelly, Taylor Swift, and, most recently, new divorcee Katy Perry. But Perry's friends are

But Perry's friends are worried about the singer due to Mayer's lady killer reputation, according to Radar Online. Sources say

her pals are urging her to end it with Mayer before she gets too attached. "Katy's friends and family haven't taken to John at all. In fact, they are worried that she is headed for heartbreak," a source says. "Despite the fiery image Katy likes to present, she's actually more fragile than that, and when John dumped her a few weeks after they first got together she was devastated. Now that she has invested more feelings in John and has let her guard down, there's only one way this can end in disaster."

Disaster — or an eventual song about Mayer and his heartbreaking ways. Or, depending on how you feel about Katy Perry's singing, it could be both.



He doesn't want to be an American idiot: Billie Joe heads to rehab

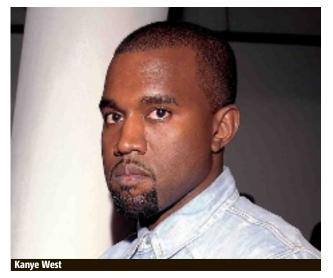
Green Day frontman Billie Joe Armstrong stunned a Las Vegas audience over the weekend with a guitarsmashing outburst after being told to wrap up his band's set. Instead, he flew into a rage, smashed his guitar, yelled at the audience and stormed off the stage. Now, it turns out it wasn't just a simple tantrum, as Armstrong is headed to rehab. "Green Day's Billie Joe Armstrong is seeking treatment for substance abuse," the band's rep said in a statement Sunday. "Green Day would like everyone to

All-star apology

"Green Day would like everyone to know that their set was not cut short by Clear Channel and to apologize to those they offended at the iHeart Radio Festival in Las Vegas."

Representative for Green Day

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Lawyers putting the kibosh on Kanye tapes?

It looks like there could be some truth to the rumours of a Kanye West sex tape — or two, even — now that lawyers for the rapper have sent out a cease-and-desist letter to multiple media outlets demanding they take down posts featuring a screen shot allegedly from the video, according to AllHipHop.com. "Be advised that the screen shot, as well as the tape from which the

screen shot was taken, were illegally obtained and believed to have been stolen from Mr. West's computer," West's attorney writes in the letter. And according to TMZ, there's a second sex tape featuring the rapper being shopped around. "Both tapes are impressively long. The first is roughly 20 minutes," source tell the website. "The second is more than 40."

Are you dating a narcissist?

Quiz. Your new quy seemed confident, loving and outgoing, until he slowly became critical, jealous and self absorbed

ROMINA McGUINNESS

Confidence. It's attractive in a man. But when dating, sometimes it's hard to determine where his healthy ego starts and narcissism begins. Is your man in love with you? Or himself? Or rather, does this sound familiar?

"Initially, you buy into this inflated image," says Gail Saltz, a psychoanalyst from New York. "But eventually, you come to realize the difference between confidence and insecurity covered over with swagger.'

We asked the experts nere this behaviour where comes from.

'Narcissism stems as a reaction to a home environment where a child wasn't allowed to develop an auallowed to develop an autonomous self," posits Sam Vaknin, author of Malignant Self-Love. "The child creates a 'false self' who is everything that the narcissist is not, but would like to be. Narcissism is a shell and inside there is a huge void. The narcissist does not know what it means to be himself — and as a result, has zero empathy.'

To help, we put together a small quiz to help you figure out if your super 'awe-some' and confident guy is a narcissist.

Quiz: Are you dating a narcissist?

1. By the end of your first date together you

A: Still trying to get over the fact someone so cool, attractive, successful and exciting wants to date

you.

B. Whoa! Chill out —
you're still not sure if there's going to be a date

C. The love of his life.

2. He uses the back of his iPhone as:

A. A mirror — he checks himself out every two seconds. B. A ruler (hopefully not to rack out lines of cocaine). shrine to

you. He's stuck a giant photo of you on it.

SCORES:

If you scored a majority

Are you dating a Ron Burgundy? GETTY IMAG

The narcissist boyfriend: Your boyfriend sounds like he could be a narcissist. That or he's so selfish he doesn't really care about you and your needs.

If you scored a majority

The super chilled boy-You're dating a no-nonsense dude. He's chilled

If you scored a majority

of C's
The love struck boyfriend: Your boyfriend is so in love with you that you don't need to worry about him being a narcissist. If anything, he should think about his needs a little

A. Less about your pleasure in the moment than his aggrandizement. It's all about his amazing body, crazy moves and his

swagger. **B.** Fair play: You both give and take. C. Mind-blowing, mostly because he makes it all about you.

His group friends....:

A. He fell out with his closest friends before you met. The ones he has now are like the hangers-on in Entourage.

B. Game of Thrones meets How I Met Your Mother meets Gossip Girl. Full of drama, hate, sex, lies, backstabbing

— but mostly love. C. Super tight. They've been friends since school and share spreadsheets to

plan holidays and nights

He's cheated on you...:
A. Three to four times. That you

know of. B. You both sort of cheated once but it was Ross-Rachel

thing. You were on a break. C. He panics every time someone hits on him, let

6. The two of you bump in to your (hot) ex:

alone tries to kiss him.

A. He immediately picks a fight because your ex looked you 'in the eye' and threatens to beat him up if he ever comes near you ever again. You, the ex's wife and his kids all witnessed the scene.

B. He just feels sorry for the guy. He doesn't know what

Narcissism is three times more common in men than in women

get a good payoff.
C. He helps you spruce up your CV, agrees to watch The Notebook without Notebook without complaining and books you a spa weekend using his bonus money.

8. He spends his spare cash on:

A. Flashy cars, nights out, expensive watches, gadgets (he's on the waiting list for the iPhone 5). He updates his wardrobe every season, and yours. He doesn't want you cramping his style. B. Fixing up his beat up car,

beer and pizza. C. You.

9. Your phone rings in the middle of the night:

A. You look out the window and see him standing on your doorstep: you didn't text him back so he's come to find out why.

B. Nothing major, just a bootie call.

C. You forgot your USB key at his house, the one with the presentation for those potentially huge clients. He's here to return it.

10. You say: Honey, that polka-dot shirt is a little too much:

A. How dare you question his taste? He goes mental at the fact that you've contradicted him and spends the rest of the night sulking. You get the message; never criticize him. Ever again. B. But he totally digs

his spotty shirt! There's no way he's changing. C. He changes into the shirt your mother (i.e.

you) gave him last Christ-





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he's missing out on since

C. He manages an awkward smile but he's so

he's no longer with you.

pale and stressed

out it looks like he's

7. You've just been

made redundant and you come home sobbing:
A. He tells you to

get a grip, turns on the TV and spends

the whole evening complaining about his lame \$4,000 bo-

nus and imminent

pay raise. B. He reminds you

that you hated your

job and wanted to quit any-

way. At least this way you'll

about to pass out.

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THIS WEEK: Getting to the Root (Canal) of the Problem



Arthritis not just an elderly ailment anymore

Health care. More than four and a half million Canadians are affected by the disease, and experts expect that number to rise

CELIA MILNE

Linda Wilhelm was only 23-years-old — with a newborn baby and a two-year-old - when she was diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis.

The disease hit her hard. She would eventually need two knee and two shoulder replacements, a new hip, an ankle fusion, a wrist fusion and an artificial elbow.

While her suffering has been more dramatic than most, her story is familiar to

She bounced from doctor to doctor, and no one had a care plan for her. More than 30 organizations involved in arthritis hope to change that. Last week, they launched a new national framework called the Joint Action on Arthritis.

It is designed to coordinate arthritis efforts around the country, improve prevention and care, raise awareness of the disease, and strengthen research dollars. Wilhelm, a mother of three and a grandmother living in Midland, N.B., told her story at the Calgary launch, and was optimistic.

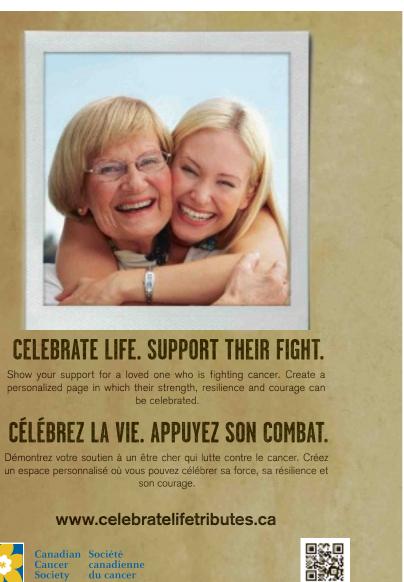
"I'm excited to see the launch of this framework, so nobody will fall through

Experts expect the number of Canadians who suffer from arthritis to double within a generation. ISTOCK PHOTOS

Approximately 4.6 million Canadians are directly affected by arthritis, and many of them are young.

"Within a generation," says Dr. Dianne Mosher, president of the Arthritis Alliance of Canada and a Calgary rheumatologist, "the number of Canadians with arthritis will double, to the point that one in four of us will join the ranks of those suffering."

In future, patients will receive care from a team doctors, nurses, and other experts — all in one clinic.





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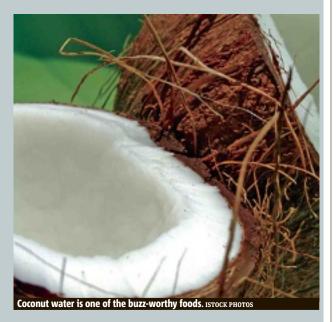
In the October issue of Best Health magazine — our annual Eat Well issue dietitian Matthew Kadey looked into some of the foods that are causing a buzz lately. Here are a few.

Coconut water

A growing list of Hollywood celebs are raving about it, and more and more stores are carrying it. Coconut water is extracted from young coconuts and has only small amounts of sugar. Not to be confused with higher-fat coconut milk, coconut water is fat-free, tangy but slightly sweet and is full of the electrolyte potassium, which lowers blood pressure. In fact, just one cup of it has more potassium than a banana.

Avocado oil

It contains lutein, which



helps promote healthy vision, and has a higher smoke point than olive oil so it works well for higher-temperature cooking such as stir-frying. Plus, more than 70 per cent of the calories in this buttery, green-tinged oil come from monounsaturated fat. This helps boost HDL (good) cholesterol.

Hemp beverage

Made by blending hemp seeds with water, this drink

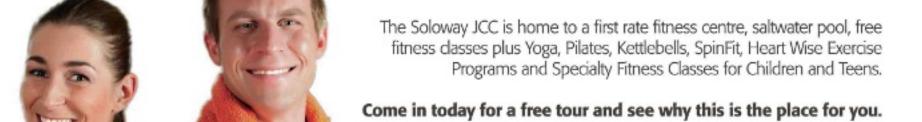
has a nutty flavour. Among non-dairy drinks including soy, almond and rice, hemp provides the most omega fats, which improve health. (However, soy has more protein.) Hemp is also a natural source of iron.

For more new foods look for the October issue of Best Health magazine, on newsstands now.

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Tex Mex Chili's lighter side



This is a lighter chili typically served in the Southwest. Úsing chicken rather than reduces the calories and fat. Dusting the chicken with flour maintains the

moisture. Aged cheddar is

the perfect accompaniment

and you can add diced avo-

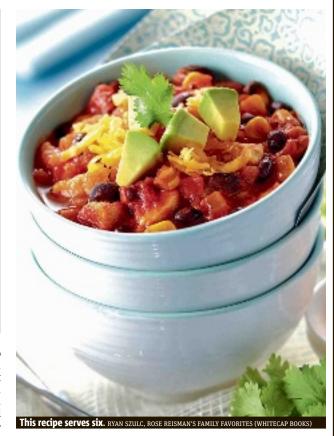
cado to the list of garnishes.

1. Place the chicken and flour in a bowl and toss to coat. Lightly coat a nonstick saucepan with cooking spray, add 1 tsp of the vegetable oil and set over medium heat. Sauté the chicken for 5 minutes or until it is lightly browned on all sides, but do not cook

through. Set aside.

2. Respray the same saucepan, add the remaining vegetable oil and set over medium heat. Add the onion and cook until soft, stirring frequently, about 5 minutes. Stir in the corn and garlic and continue to cook and stir for 5 minutes or until the corn is browned.

- 12 oz skinless boneless chicken breasts (about 3 breasts), diced
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp vegetable oil
- 1 1/2 cups chopped onion
- 1 cup canned corn, drained
- 2 tsp finely chopped garlic
- 1 1/2 cups canned black beans, drained and rinsed
- 2 1/2 cups tomato sauce
- 3/4 cup chicken (or beef)
- 1 tbsp chili powder
- 1 1/2 tsp dried basil
- 1 tsp dried oregano
- 1 1/2 tsp seeded and finely chopped jalapeño pepper
- pinch of salt and pepper
- 1/4 cup chopped cilantro1/2 cup shredded aged light
- 1/4 cup low-fat sour cream
- **3.** Stir in the beans, tomato sauce, stock, chili powder, basil, oregano, jalapeño, salt and pepper. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat and cover. Simmer for 15 minutes, Add the diced chicken and simmer, uncovered, for 5 minutes or until the chicken is just cooked through and the chili thickens.



4. Serve the Tex Mex chili in bowls, and garnish with cilantro, aged light cheddar

cheese and sour cream. ROSE REISMAN'S FAMILY FAVORITES (WHITECAP BOOKS) BY ROSE REISMAN

Spice it up!



NUTRI-BITES HN, RNCP

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Dark leafy greens, green tea and intensely coloured fruits are great but go beyond with the top six spices that have been shown to do the trick.

1. Cloves

- 2. Cinnamon
- 3. Rosemary
- 4. Oregano
- 5. Thyme
- 6. Turmeric

Most of these are in your pantry and you likely use them once a week (turmeric is in curry powder), but you'd be wise to work them all in daily.

Add cloves and/or cinnamon to your morning coffee, any type of yogurt or oatmeal.

Add fresh or dried herbs like rosemary, oregano and thyme to every soup or salad you have for lunch. They can also be

added to pasta sauce.
If you are not a curry lover, think about turmeric capsules in your morning handful of

supplements.
What's one more? THERESA ALBERT IS AN AUTHOR AND NUTRITIONIST IN TORONTO.





1. In a large bowl, whisk together flour and salt. With pastry blender, cut in lard until mixture is in very fine crumbs.

2. Whisk 1 egg with milk; pour over flour mixture stirring until it clumps together. Turn out onto floured surface and knead to form soft dough. Wrap and refrigerate for 30 minutes. (Can be refrigerated for up to 2 days.)

3. Filling: In a bowl, stir together apples, sugar, flour, cinnamon and nutmeg.

4. Divide dough into 12 pieces and form into balls. On a lightly floured surface, roll each into a 15-cm (6-inch) circle. Spoon about 75 ml (1/3 cup) of the filling onto half of each circle, mounding slightly.

5. Fold other half over and press to seal (floured fork works

well). Arrange on 2 greased baking sheets. Beat remaining egg; lightly brush over tops. Bake in a 190 C (375 F) oven until golden, 25 mins. THE CANADIAN PRESS/ FOODLAND ONTARIO

Empanadas

• 750 ml (3 cups) all-purpose

- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) salt 125 ml (1/2 cup) lard
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) milk
- Apple Filling
 1 l (4 cups) coarsely diced
- peeled apples
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) granulated
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) all-purpose
- 5 ml (1 tsp) cinnamon • 2 ml (1/2 tsp) grated nutmeg
- 2 eggs
 - - and minced
 - 6 large whole-grain flour
 - tortillas (each 47 g)
 75 ml (1/3 cup) shredded light cheddar cheese (optional)

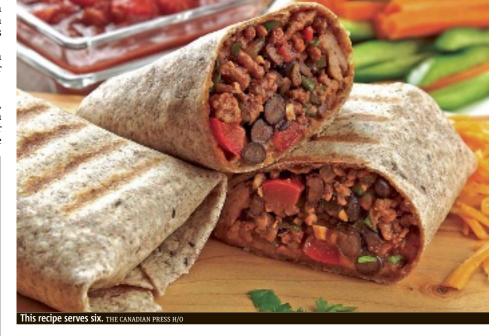
Apple Empanadas. Replace beef for a dessert Pork and Bean Burritos make the ideal on-the-run dinner

Prepare these pork and bean burritos ahead and have them ready to take for a supper on the run as busy fall activities swing into place.

Use your favourite bean variety such as black, white or kidney beans.

1. In large non-stick skillet, cook pork over medium-high heat for about 8 minutes or until no longer pink. Scrape

- 500 a (1 lb) lean ground pork
- 5 ml (1 tsp) canola oil • 1 onion, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, minced20 ml (4 tsp) chili powder
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) tomato paste • 1 can (540 ml/19 oz) beans
- (no salt added), drained and
- 250 ml (1 cup) sodiumreduced chicken broth
- 1 red pepper, chopped
- 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) chopped fresh



meat into colander to drain. Set aside.

2. Return skillet to medium heat and put oil on it. Add onion, garlic and chili powder; cook for 2 minutes. Add cooked pork and tomato paste and cook, stirring for 2 minutes. Add beans, broth, red pepper, jalapeno and cilantro and cook, stirring, for about 8 minutes or until liquid is ab-

3. Dividing mixture evenly, place along centre of each tortilla and sprinkle with cheese,

if using. Fold ends in and roll

4. Toast burritos in a non-stick skillet over medium heat, turning once, for about 4 minutes or until golden on both sides. THE CANADIAN PRESS/ ONTARIO PORK

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RELATIONSHIPS 27

Denting cars

And that's why you always leave a note!

What is the correct etiquette when my kids fling open their car doors and damage/dent the car next to me? Can I please just ignore it and tell my kids to never do that again, or do I seriously have to write a personal note and pay for the damage?



CHARLES THE BUTLER askcharlesthebutler@ metronews.ca For more, visit charlesmacpherson.com

Well I suspect you know my answer, especially since I just bought a brand new car two weeks ago.

Yes if your kids dent a door you should leave a little note, and do your best to teach your kids to be careful.

Now I know lots of you will write and say,

just don't worry about it; dents and scratches happen all the time and nobody leaves a note. But remember, your question was "what is the correct etiquette?" Now what do most people do?

They pretend they did not see what they did, close their own car door and walk away!

So my final word is just do your best to be careful, but remember little scratches and accidents do happen, and this is life.



Pulitzer-Prize-winning author Junot Diaz muses on modern love

GINA ANGELOTTI

Metro World News in New York

As tales of relationship redemption go, each of the nine relatable short stories in Junot Diaz's consummate collection, This Is How You Lose Her, triumphs.

In nonlinear vignettes of brotherly, paternal and romantic love, his characters — who dig themselves into holes and then must grin through the grit and bear it — remind us of the power of self-preservation.

While not explicitly present in every story, Yunior — aged five, 15, 20 and 30-something — is at the core of them. As "the most awesome ex-boyfriend in the world" but a "terrible boyfriend," he never comes out the victor in a traditional sense, but he proves to be a survivor, continuously learning from his mistakes.

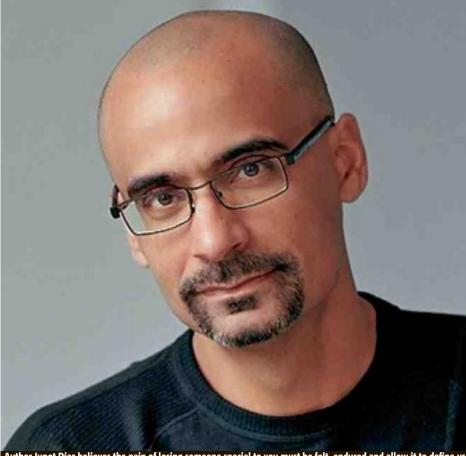
What are the roots of his indiscretions and inadequacies? Diaz suggests that immigrating to the U.S. from the Dominican Republic and witnessing death at an impressionable age contribute to Yunior's commitment-phobia.

"Part of the art (of writing) is not to look at the most obvious answer," Diaz says. "When I think of what's wrong with Yunior, I think: make a list of the things he's lost."

That laundry list — not limited to losing his brother to cancer, his own youth to the responsibilities that beckon afterward and his girlfriends to his vices — doesn't excuse Yunior's flawed, sometimes chauvinistic behavior.

But Diaz doesn't judge or shame him for it either; rather he acknowledges that the person hurt most by a cheater is himself. We sympathize with Yunior, transgressions and all.

Through interrogative second-person narration and colloquial language peppered with Spanish, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author



Author Junot Diaz believes the pain of losing someone special to you must be felt, endured and allow it to define us as people. <code>supplied</code>

authentically captures Junior's cultural and emotional dualities.

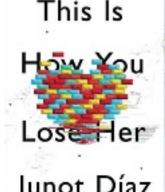
We get real with Diaz about falling in love — and getting back up again.

How did you tap into Yunior's various life stages, which feel raw and identifiable?

I wish that I could say that I had a secret or that it came easily, but what ends up happening is that I spend a lot of time steeping in my characters, steeping in their moments.

And in fact, I always think that I could do better.

Having written a character



who repeatedly fails at monogamy, do you yourself believe in it?

I think it's difficult, but I think: God, what isn't difficult? Given how easy it is in our culture to jump out, it makes that struggle all the more difficult.

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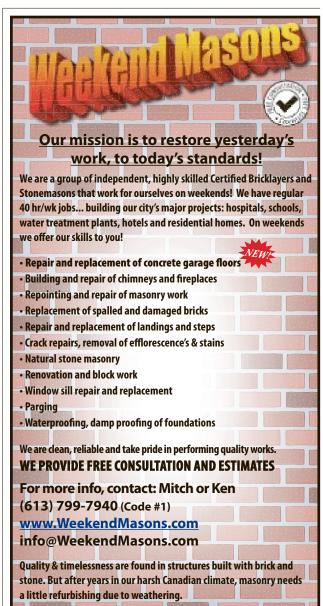
I think the debate is how honest we can be with ourselves with other people. Most of the time we just hurt the other person rather than talk to them. Don't you think a lot of our views of the world are not very clear-minded, that we tend to be thinking from our place of hurt?

We're hurt, so we tend to have a more shrunk-down, im-

poverished view.

In your final story, you poignantly say the half-life of love
— the length of time it takes
to let go when a relationship
ends — is forever. Have you
at least found an effective
prescription for moving on?
Heartbreak is one of our

great challenges, and enduring it really defines our character. My feeling has always been, if you're in pain, the only thing that you can do is feel it. If you're overwhelmed by loss, the only thing you can do is be overwhelmed. It's sort of simplistic, but I've never found anything else that worked.



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Dig your heels in: You too can win a battle against the big banks

Alison's Money Rule.

If you feel something is unfair at your financial unfair at your financial institution, put up a fight!

Geess of saying a financial goodbye to my father.

I expected the same from CSI, RBC, CIBC and If you feel something is



MONEY

I won! Maybe you can't fight city hall but you can fight battles (and sometimes win) against the financial services industry. Here's the back-story.

My dear old Dad died in January at 89. I am his executor. Because the estate was less than \$25,000 in total, there was no need to probate the will.

Dad had a couple of bank accounts, a Registered Retirement Investment Fund (RRIF) and a small investment account at Canadian ShareOwner Investments Inc. (CSI) where he liked to dabble in the stock market.

Dad also had a bunch of pensions and a small life insurance policy. The pension and insurance people were

I went through the sad pro-

TD Canada Trust. Au contraire. There isn't enough room here to outline all the time wasting mistakes, roadblocks, and bafflegab I experienced.

The institutions all had notarized copies of the will, death certificate, witnessed proof of my identity and a letter of direction from me, the executor, about what I wanted done with his accounts.

Even so, I was asked to sign and have notarized various "internal" affidav-its in order to close any of his accounts or make transactions. CIBC refused to open an estate account because my father did not bank there, though I have for over 30 years.

I could have gone to RBC where my father banked but after four significant errors, including an unauthorized \$8,000 debit which took time and energy to reverse, I wasn't going

What are probate fees?

Probate fees are imposed by the court and vary by province. Assets such as RRSPs and insurance are not included in the fee calculation.

near the place.

My lawyer, who specializes in estates, made it clear that CIBC had no legal grounds to refuse me, and the so-called "required" affidavits were not necessary. A follow up with the Solicitor General's office confirmed his information.

I dug in my heels. It took nearly four months to go up the various ladders. I could have given in but the patriarchal and intransigent attitudes in the financial industry got me fighting mad.

In the end, I won. The banks and the Canadian ShareOwner acquiesced. The latter even waived a \$150 fee.

The moral of the story is this: If you feel something is unfair at vour financial institution, put up a fight you might win.

Hey friend, you're busting my budget



I have to agree with The Beatles that "The best things in life are free" including the richness we find in our relationships with friends and family members. But, for many Canadians, money is often spent to experience relationships parties, coffees, gifts, travel and more.

Have you ever wondered what it costs to have friends? I started thinking about this last week as I embarked on medical treatment that will ultimately heal my dislocated jaw resulting from a random hiking accident.

For the next few months I won't be able to enjoy dinners at restaurants or workout classes — both activities cost money and involve hanging out with my pals.

In one short week I've saved \$100 because I've had to find other activities to do with my friends which involve eating at home, lowand renting movies rather than going out to a theater.

What do you spend to maintain your relationships? Could you be more frugal without compromising your friendships?

According to a poll conducted in July by Coupon Cabin, 20 per cent of respondents have felt pres-sured to keep up with friends in terms of spending on things like homes, cars, clothes, dining, travel and more. Nineteen per cent of respondents spend \$500 or more per year on gifts and nearly 20 per cent have had to 'break up' with pals because of money related

If you're social life is busting your budget try these suggestions.

Host pot-luck dinners and BBQs rather than eating at restaurants. Schedule coffee 'dates' rather than lunch.

Pull out your dusty board games or old movies and entertain at home.

If you like getting active, select free activities like walking, hiking, biking, running, football, baseball,



or other sports. Rather than shopping for clothing and accessories, host a clothing swap over home made ap-

If you're pals like to

travel, challenge everyone to use loyalty points to pay for travel rather than cash. Take advantage of group discounts through online coupon sites like Groupon.

I'm not trying to suggest that you get rid of your friends so that you can save

Rather, as you invest time in enriching your relation-

ships, inspire frugality amongst your friends.

Follow Leslev on



Tennis. Wozniacki through to Round 2 in Japan

Caroline Wozniacki beat Bojana Jovanovski 6-0, 3-6, 6-4 to advance into the second round of the Pan Pacific Open in Tokyo on Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Soccer. Terry's racism hearing begins

John Terry's racism hearing started on Monday, a day after the Chelsea defender quit England duty in protest of the case being pursued by the Football Association.

Terry was charged by the FA despite being cleared in court of racially abusing Queens Park's Anton Ferdinand during a Premier League match in October. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MLB. Nats tighten grip on NL East

The Washington Nationals crushed the Milwaukee Brewers 12-2 on Monday to cut their magic number for winning the NL East to just five games. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL. Oilers eye Seattle for possible relocation

With plans for a new arena in doubt, the Edmonton Oilers say they are considering a move to Seattle.

Oilers owner Daryl Katz, team president Patrick LaForge and Kevin Lowe, president of hockey operations, are in Seattle for meetings about a possible relocation to the city.

The Oilers said in a statement that while they hope to reach a deal with Edmonton on a new arena, the team is also listening to proposals from a number of potential NHL markets.

Seattle City Council approved hedge-fund manager Chris Hansen's plan for a \$490-million US arena Monday that both sides hope will host an NBA and NHL team in the

The Oilers and the City of Edmonton had agreed on plans for a proposed \$475-million cost-shared arena that would begin construction early next year.

But the arena and the Oilers' future in the city were thrown into doubt earlier this month when the team told councillors it wanted millions of dollars in new concessions from taxpayers.

The NFL's top shutdown cornerback likely will be shut down for the season.

NFL. Torn ACL puts

Revis' season in doubt

Darrelle Revis has a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee that will require surgery, a huge blow for the Jets that leaves coach Rex Ryan without his best defensive player.

A sombre Ryan stopped short of ruling Revis out for the season Monday, saying he just learned of the MRI results. But Revis will have to wait two or three weeks before surgery, Ryan said, and the recovery from an ACL tear is usually six to nine months. So the chan-



"It's something we have to overcome as a football team....

We're going to lose that presence."

Jets coach Rex Ryan on Darrelle Revis'

ces of Revis returning this season appear extremely slim.

lays' offence leaves Alvarez in the dark

MLB. 'We have to continue to battle. Toronto skipper says after 7th-straight loss

The Blue Jays' final road trip of the season can't end soon enough.

Toronto's losing streak reached seven games Monday with a 4-1 loss to the Balti-more Orioles in the opener of a doubleheader.

The Blue Jays are winless during a journey that began with three games in Yankee Stadium, continued in Tampa and will conclude at Camden Yards. They have been outscored 46-17 during their seven-game skid.

"We can't run from what's taking place, and yet we have to continue to battle," Blue Jays manager John Farrell said.

Henderson Alvarez (9-14) gave up four runs, eight hits and three walks in 5 2/3 innings. He's 2-7 in his last 10

Alvarez fell behind by giv-



ing up a two-run homer to Adam Jones in the fourth inning and a solo shot to Ryan Flaherty in the fifth.

Speaking through an in-terpreter, Alvarez addressed the two drives saying, "Pitch to Jones was high changeup. He's a good hitter and he did what he was supposed to do with that pitch. The other kid, the second baseman, (I) felt like it was a good pitch and he did a good job with

Jones went 4-for-4 to help the Orioles move within a half-game of the AL East lead.

Baltimore (88-65) matched the division-leading New York Yankees in the win column. New York was scheduled to play at Minnesota on Monday night. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Adam Jones rounds the bases after hitting a two-run home run off of Toronto's

HL labour talks stuck in neutral

A face-to-face meeting between top officials from the NHL and NHL Players' Association wasn't enough to break their labour stalemate.

The sides spent almost five hours together Monday going over accounting for last season, but didn't emerge with any plan to resume collective bargaining talks. The topic wasn't even raised, according to representatives from each camp.

Nine days into the lockout, negotiations remain on hold with the owners and players



"I think the league is waiting for us to make the move, and we're waiting for them to move. So someone has to move. And I don't see it coming from our end."

Red Wings forward Danny Cleary, predicting a prolonged lockout to the Detroit Free Press after an informal skate on Monday

entrenched in their positions.

"Obviously, we've got to talk before you can get a deal, so I think it's important to get the talks going again," said deputy commissioner Bill Daly. "But you also have to have something to say. I think it's fair to say we feel like we need to hear from the players' association in a meaningful way because I don't think that they've really moved off

their initial proposal."
Steve Fehr, the NHLPA's special counsel, declined comment following the meeting.

Neither NHLPA executive director Donald Fehr nor commissioner Gary Bettman attended the meeting. But the two men were expected to take in an NHL alumni dinner Monday night where Daly suggested they may discuss resuming talks. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Mobile sports



The Ryder Cup is heading to Chicago for the first time and Luke Donald is the only "hometown" player. There's only one catch — Donald is English.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GE
New York	88	64	.579	-
Baltimore	88	65	.575	1/
Tampa Bay	83	70	.542	51/
Boston	69	85	.448	20
Toronto	66	86	.434	22
CENTRAL DIVISION				
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Chicago	81	71	.533	-
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WEST DIVISION W L Pct 90 62 .592 86 66 .566 84 69 .549 GB Los Angeles Seattle 72 81 .471 181/2

Monday's results
Baltimore 4 Toronto 1 (1st game)
Kansas City at Detroit Toronto at Baltimore (2nd game)

Oakland at Texas
Cleveland at Chicago White Sox
N.Y. Yankees at Minnesota
Sunday's results
Minnesota 10 Detroit 4 (1st game) Oakland 5 N.Y. Yankees 4 Boston 2 Baltimore 1

Tampa Bay 3 Toronto 0
Cleveland 15 Kansas City 4
L.A. Angels 4 Chicago White Sox 1 Texas 3 Seattle 2 Minnesota 2 Detroit 1 (2nd game — 10 inn.)

Minnesota Z Detroit 1 (2nd game — 10 inn.)
Tuesday's games — All Times Eastern
Cleveland (Kluber 1-4) at Chicago White Sox
(Liriano 6-11), 2:10 p.m.
Kansas City (B.Chen 11-12) at Detroit
(A.Sanchez 3-6), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Laffey 3-6) at Baltimore
(1.Saudore 2-2), 7:05 p.m. (J.Saunders 2-2), 7:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Price 18-5) at Boston (Buchholz 11-6), 7:10 p.m.
Oakland (Milone 13-10) at Texas (Darvish 16-9), N.Y. Yankees (P.Hughes 16-12) at Minnesota

(Vasquez 0-2), 8:10 p.m. Seattle (Er.Ramirez 1-2) at L.A. Angels

Seattle (Er.Ramirez 1-2) at L.A. Ang (Greinke 5-2), 10:05 p.m. **Wednesday's games** N.Y. Yankees at Minnesota, 1:10 p.m. Kansas City at Detroit, 7:05 p.m. Toronto at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m. Tampa Bay at Boston, 7:10 p.m. Oakland at Texas, 8:05 p.m. Cleveland at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m. Seattle at L.A. Angels, 10:05 p.m.

AUTO RACING

NASCAR SPRINT CUP

At New Hampshire Motor Speedway (Start position in parentheses)
1. (32) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 300 laps, 149.2

rating, 48 points.

SYLVANIA 300 RESULTS

Tacling, 46 points. 2. (20) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 300, 116.9, 43. 3. (1) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 300, 118.9, 42. 4. (12) Clint Bowyer, Toyota, 300, 112.6, 40. 5. (6) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 300, 114.3, 40.

6. (15) Brad Keselowski, Dodge, 300, 97.4, 39.

7. (3) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 300, 107.3, 38

8. (18) Joey Logano, Toyota, 300, 87.5, 36. 9. (4) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 300, 90.8, 36. 10. (8) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 300, 97.4, 34.

11. (16) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 300, 98.2, 33.

12. (7) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 300, 88.9, 32.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Washington	93	60	.608	_
Atlanta	88	65	.575	5
Philadelphia	77	76	.503	16
New York	69	83	.454	231/2
Miami	66	87	.431	27
CENTRAL DIVISION				
x-Cincinnati	92	61	.601	_
St. Louis	82	71	.536	10
Milwaukee	79	74	.516	13
Pittsburgh	75	77	.493	161/2
Chicago	59	94	.386	33
Houston	50	103	.327	42
WEST DIVISION				

SPORTS

89 64 .582 — 79 74 .516 10 77 75 .507 11½ x-San Francisco Los Angeles Arizona San Diego 73 80 .477 16 58 94 .382 30¹/₂ Colorado z-clinched playoff berth x-clinched division berth

Monday's results Washington 12 Milwaukee 2 Pittsburgh at N.Y. Mets St. Louis at Houston Arizona at Colorado

Sunday's results
Arizona 10 Colorado 7 Atlanta 2 Philadelphia 1 L.A. Dodgers 5 Cincinnati 3 Milwaukee 6 Washington 2 N.Y. Mets 3 Miami 2

N.Y. Mets 3 Minami 2
Pittsburgh 8 Houston 1
San Diego 6 San Francisco 4
St. Louis 6 Chicago Cubs 3
Tuesday's games — All Times Eastern
Washington (Detwiler 10-6) at Philadelphia
(Hamels 15-6), 7:05 p.m. Miami (Eovaldi 4-12) at Atlanta (Medlen 9-1), 7:10 n.m.

Milwaukee (Fiers 9-8) at Cincinnati (Cueto 18-9), 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (W.Rodriguez 11-13) at N.Y. Mets

(McHugh 0-2), 7:10 p.m. St. Louis (J.Garcia 5-7) at Houston (Harrell 10-10), 8:05 p.m. Chicago Cubs (Rusin 1-2) at Colorado (J.De La Rosa 0-1), 8:40 p.m. L.A. Dodgers (Beckett 1-2) at San Diego

L.A. Dodgers (Beckett I-2) at San Diego (Volquez 1-11), 10:05 p.m. Arizona (Skaggs 1-3) at San Francisco (Lincecum 10-14), 10:15 p.m. Wednesday's games L.A. Dodgers at San Diego, 6:35 p.m. Washington at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.

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13. (14) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 300, 82.3, 31. 14. (25) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 300, 87.6, 31.

15. (11) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 300, 79.3, 29.

16. (22) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 300, 75.4, 28. 17. (9) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, 300, 89.6, 27. 18. (13) Greg Biffle, Ford, 300, 80.1, 26.

22. (24) Juan Pablo Montoya, Chevrolet, 299, 63.5, 22

23. (19) Aric Almirola, Ford, 298, 65.6, 21. 24. (21) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 298, 59.4, 20. 25. (23) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 298, 59.3, 19.

26. (29) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 298, 58.7, 18.

30. (34) David Reutimann, Chevrolet, 296, 47.6, 14.

27. (28) Landon Cassill, Toyota, 298, 53.6, 17. 28. (2) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 298, 94.5, 17.

29. (26) David Ragan, Ford, 297, 52.5, 15

19. (5) Carl Edwards, Ford, 300, 73.1, 25. 20. (17) Bobby Labonte, Toyota, 299, 68.9, 24. 21. (10) Sam Hornish Jr., Dodge, 299, 65.9, 0.

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MONDAY AFTERNOON GAME												
Toronto	AB	R	Н	ы	BB	S0	Avg.					
Lawrie 3b	3	0	1	0	1	1	.274					
Rasmus cf	2	0	0	0	2	1	.226					
Encarnacion dh	4	1	1	0	0	3	.280					
Lind 1b	4	0	2	0	0	0	.238					
R.Davis rf	4	0	1	1	0	1	.243					
K.Johnson 2b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.225					
Hechavarria ss	3	0	1	0	0	0	.252					
Arencibia c	1	0	1	0	0	0	.223					
Mathis c	2	0	0	0	0	1	.216					
a-Y.Escobar ph-ss	2	0	0	0	0	1	.254					
Gose If	4	0	0	0	0	2	.213					
Totals	33	1	8	1	3	11						
Baltimore	AB	R	Н	BI	BB	S0	Avg.					
McLouth If	4	0	2	0	0	2	.273					
Hardy ss	4	0	1	0	0	1	.232					
C.Davis rf	3	1	1	0	1	2	.264					
En.Chavez rf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.208					
Ad.Jones cf	4	2	4	2	0	0	.292					
Wieters c	4	0	1	0	0	1	.251					
Thome dh	2	0	0	0	2	0	.256					
Mar.Reynolds 11	3	0	0	0	0	2	.228					
Flaherty 2b	3	1	1	1	0	1	.226					
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(Flaherty 2, C.Davis). RISP—Toronto 1 for 9; Baltimore 0 for 5. GIDP-R.Davis, Y.Escobar, Hardy, Mar.Revnolds DP—Toronto 2 (Hechavarria, K.Johnson, Lind), (Hechavarria, K.Johnson, Lind); Baltimore 2 (Hardy, Flaherty, Mar.Reynolds), (Hardy, Andi-

(R.Davis 2, Lind, Gose, K.Johnson 2); Baltimore 3

Inherited runners-scored—Cecil 1-0, Frasor 1-0, O'Day 2-0. IBB—off H.Alvarez (Thome). Umpires—Home, Chad Fairchild; First, Alfonso

O'Nora. T—2:43. A—0 (45,971) at Baltimore.

NASCAR SPRINT CUP

MONEY LEADERS

Through Sept. 24
1. Jimmie Johnson, \$6,575,261
2. Matt Kenseth, \$5,976,759
3. Denny Hamlin, \$5,728,633
4. Tony Stewart, \$5,433,300
5. Kyle Busch, \$5,092,252

6. Brad Keselowski, \$4,860,390

7. Greg Biffle, \$4,731,148 8. Jeff Gordon, \$4,705,091 9. Kevin Harvick, \$4,589,263 10. Dale Earnhardt Jr., \$4,581,470 11. Ryan Newman, \$4,280,512 12. Carl Edwards, \$4,276,822 13. Clint Bowyer, \$4,260,120 14. Martin Truey Ir. \$4,232,090

14. Martin Truex Jr., \$4,232,090 15. Jeff Burton, \$4,193,390

7. Grea Riffle, \$4,731,148

Marguez; Second, Tom Hallion; Third, Brian

CFL

WEEK 13

EAST DIVISION	JIV									
	GP	W	L	Т	PF PA	Pt				
Montreal	12	8	4	0	332 337	16				
Toronto	12	6	6	0	288 305	12				
Hamilton	12	4	8	0	353 381	8				
Winnipeg	12	3	9	0	235 377	6				
WEST DIVISION										

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unday's results Montreal 31 Toronto 10 Saskatchewan 30 Calgary 25

Saturday's result
B.C. 19 Edmonton 18 Friday's result Winnipeg 34 Hamilton 12 Week 14

Friday's game — All Times Eastern Montreal at Hamilton, 7 p.m. Edmonton at Calgary, 10 p.m.

Saturday's games Toronto at Winnipeg, 7 p.m. B.C. at Saskatchewan, 10 p.m.

GOLF

WORLD GOLF RANKINGS

Through Sept. 24 1. Rory McIlroy 2. Tiger Woods

33. Carl Pettersson

34. BIII Haas
35. Nicolas Colsaerts
36. John Senden
37. Gonzalo Fernandez-Co
38. David Toms
39. David Lynn

40. K.J. Choi 41. Robert Garrigus

42. Thomas Biorn

43. Geoff Ogilyv

44. Martin Laird

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34. Bill Haas

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4. Lee Westwood
5. Justin Rose
6. Adam Scott
7. Bubba Watson
8. Webb Simpson
9. Jason Dufner 7.23 6.51 6.30 6.17 6.17 6.00 6.00 10. Brandt Snedeker 11. Louis Oosthuizen 5.69 12. Steve Stricker 5.65 5.47 13. Dustin Johnson 14 Keegan Bradley USΔ 5 42 15 Matt Kuchar USA USA 5.11 5.08 4.89 4.82 4.79 4.62 4.55 4.13 4.13 16. Phil Mickelson 17. Zach Johnson
18. Graeme McDowe
19. Sergio Garcia
20. Hunter Mahan USA NIr Esp USA USA SAf USA 21. Nick Watney 22. Ernie Els 23. Jim Furvk 24. Bo Van Pelt USA 24. Bo Van Pelt 25. Peter Hanson 26. Ian Poulter 27. Rickie Fowler 28. Paul Lawrie 29. Charl Schwartzel 4.05 4.01 3.99 3.94 3.87 30. Jason Day 31. Francesco Molinari Aus Ita 3.83 3.81 32. Martin Kaymer Ger 3.70 3.62

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NFL

EAST

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	w	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Jets	2	1	0	.667	81	75
Buffalo	2	1	0	.667	87	79
New England	1	2	0	.333	82	64
Miami	1	2	0	.333	65	66
SOUTH						
Houston	2	0	0	1.000	57	17
Jacksonville	1	2	0	.333	52	70
Tennessee	1	2	0	.333	67	113
Indianapolis	1	2	0	.333	61	83
NORTH						
Cincinnati	2	1	0	.667	85	102
Baltimore	2	1	0	.667	98	67
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	46	41
Cleveland	0	3	0	.000	57	75
WEST						
San Diego	2	1	0	.667	63	51
Denver	1	1	0	.500	52	46
Kansas City	1	2	0	.333	68	99
Oakland	0	2	0	.000	27	57

WEEK THREE

Monday's result Green Bay at Seattle Sunday's results Dallas 16 Tampa Bay 10 Chicago 23 St. Louis 6 Minnesota 24 San Francisco 13 Tennessee 44 Detroit 41, OT Kansas City 27 New Orleans 24, OT Cincinnati 38 Washington 31 N.Y. Jets 23 Miami 20, OT Buffalo 24 Cleveland 14 Jacksonville 22 Indianapolis 17 Arizona 27 Philadelphia 6 Atlanta 27 San Diego 3 Oakland 34 Pittsburgh 31 Houston 31 Denver 25 Baltimore 31 New England 30

Thursday's result N.Y. Giants 36 Carolina 7

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

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WEEK FOUR

Thursday's game — All Times Eastern Cleveland at Baltimore, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday's games Tennessee at Houston, 1 p.m. San Diego at Kansas City, 1 p.m. Seattle at St. Louis, 1 p.m. New England at Buffalo, 1 p.m. Minnesota at Detroit, 1 p.m. Carolina at Atlanta, 1 p.m. San Francisco at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m. Miami at Arizona, 4:05 p.m. Oakland at Denver, 4:05 p.m. Cincinnati at Jacksonville, 4:05 p.m New Orleans at Green Bay, 4:25 p.m. Washington at Tampa Bay, 4:25 p.m. N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 8:20 p.m. Open: Indianapolis, Pittsburgh Monday, Oct. 1

Chicago at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	Т	GF	GA	Pt
Kansas City	30	16	7	7	37	25	55
Chicago	29	16	8	5	42	34	53
New York	30	14	8	8	50	43	50
D.C. United	30	15	10	5	47	39	50
Houston	30	12	8	10	42	37	46
Columbus	30	13	11	6	36	37	45
Montreal	31	12	15	4	44	49	40
Philadelphia	28	8	14	6	29	33	30
New England	30	7	15	8	37	41	29
Toronto	30	5	18	7	34	55	22

WESTERN CONFEDENCE

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	GP	W	L	Т	GF	GA	Pt					
x-San Jose	30	18	6	6	62	36	60					
x-Los Angeles	30	15	11	4	54	42	49					
x-Real Salt Lake	30	15	11	4	40	34	49					
Seattle	29	13	7	9	45	31	48					
Vancouver	30	10	12	8	31	40	38					
Dallas	30	9	12	9	35	38	36					
Colorado	30	9	18	3	38	45	30					
Portland	30	7	15	8	31	51	29					
Chivas USA	29	7	15	7	21	45	28					
x — clinched playoff b	erth.											
Note: Three points fo	r a wi	n, oi	ne fo	rati	ie.							

Sunday's results
Philadelphia 3 Houston 1
D.C. United 1 Chivas USA 0
Colorado 2 Vancouver 2

Saturday's results
Montreal 0 Kansas City 0
Los Angeles 4 Toronto 2
Chicago 2 Columbus 1
New York 1 New England 1
Real Salt Lake 2 Portland 1
San Jose 2 Seattle 1

Friday's game — All Times Eastern Chicago at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m. Saturday's games Toronto at New York, 7 p.m. Philadelphia at Columbus, 7:30 p.m New England at Houston, 8:30 p.m. Seattle at Vancouver, 9 p.m. D.C. United at Portland, 10:30 p.m. Real Salt Lake at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.

Dallas at San Jose, 10:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30 Los Angeles at Colorado, 7 p.m.

NASL

	GP	W	L	Т	GF	GA	Pt
x-San Antonio	28	13	7	8	46	27	47
x-Tampa Bay	28	12	7	9	37	30	45
x-Puerto Rico	28	11	9	8	32	30	41
x-Carolina	28	10	8	10	44	46	40
x-Ft. Lauderdale	28	9	10	9	40	46	36
x-Minnesota	28	8	9	11	34	33	35
Atlanta	28	7	12	9	35	46	30
Edmonton	28	5	13	10	26	36	25
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Sunday's results
Fort Lauderdale 2 Edmonton 2 Fort Lauderdale 2 Edmontor Minnesota 1 San Antonio 1 End of Regular Season Saturday's results Atlanta 1 Puerto Rico 1 Tampa Bay 0 Carolina 0

SPAIN

La Liga — Monday's results Sevilla 2 Deportivo La Coruna Real Madrid 2 Rayo Vallecand





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↑ Aries

March 21 - April 20

Keep things in perspective and resist the urge to get emotional today. Partnership issues may be challenging but they are not half as bad as they seem. Everything will work out for the best in the end.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Put your affairs in order today. The more you do now, the less you will have to do towards the end of the week and that means you will have more time for what you really enjoy. Make

∐ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Saturn remains in the most dynamic area of your chart only until Oct. 5. so if there are things you still need to do, get on with them now. Don't look back one day and regret what might have been.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Times may be tough in more wavs than one but the long-term prognosis is extremely good, so cheer up. Today you should patch up your differences with a relative or friend. You still have so much in common.

Ω Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

A brilliant idea will take hold in your mind today, the kind of idea that could transform your existence on every level. Don't let it get away from you. Find ways to act on it straight away.

W Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Today

You need to admit, if only to yourself, that the reason something has gone wrong is because your methods were impractical. You should have recognized that fact before but better late than never. Now, do it right.

19°/9°

📤 Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You must not let anyone or anything divert you from the important task you have set yourself. Some say Libra is the most indecisive of all the signs. Now is your chance to prove the critics and doubters wrong.

III Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

It is a complete waste of time worrying about things over which you have no control. Focus your mind on good thoughts only today and you may be surprised just how many of your dreams start coming true.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You have been trying too hard to get along with someone at work. The more you try to impress them, the more they make life difficult for you. Give up on it. They are not worthy of your friendship.

17 Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Over the past few months, you have put a lot of effort into your work and now the rewards are coming at you from all directions. Don't let anyone tell you that you do not deserve it. You do.

⋄ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Whatever life throws at you over the next few days, you will find ways to deal with it. In fact, by the time the moon is full on the Sept. 30, you will be operating on a higher level. Nothing can faze you.

) Pisces

Wednesday

// 90%

18°/5°

Showers

Feb. 20 - March 20

You need to make some kind of commitment, one that will tie you down to pursuing a specific aim for the next six months or so. Yes, it's good to be free but freedom needs to be earned like everything else. SALLY BROMPTON

- 4. Dracula creature
- 10. The Kinks' biggest hit
- 12. Melange
- 13. Dry heat bath
- 43,560-square-foot 17.

- 25. Conservative Party
- from Houston or Dallas
- partner
- 36. Cherry tree chopper
- a blocked airway
- 38. Toronto-based "Tom Sawyer" group
- 39. Part of PEI
- 41. Golf stand
- 42. Calgary's NHL team, familiarly
- 46.
- 47.
- 49. Marching musicians
- 54. Sea squalls

Solver's Delight

Across

- 1. Tampa's state: abbr.
- relative

- 16. Curve
- 18. Symbol of regal power
- 21. Egyptians and Iraqis
- ture" partner 23. Correct. as a stitch
- furs

- jolly" _ Carlo: Monaco's
- capital

- _ constrictor: python 60. Let out
- 62. Part of kph or mph 63. Consumed
- 15. One with a computer
- units
- 20. Ardent admirers
- 22. Bill's "excellent adven-
- 28. Nickname for someone 29. Expensive dark-brown
- 32. Andy's 1950s radio
- 34. Not according to plan
- 37. Be affected at night by

- 44. Go into _ the season to be
- 51. Where to find 12-Down



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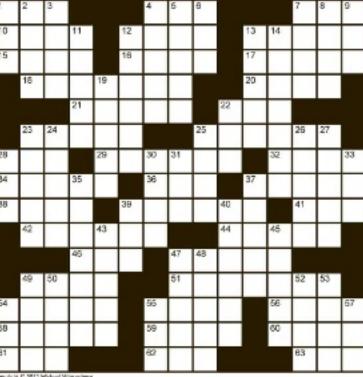
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- 58. Computer warning
- 59. Great Lake
- 61. Gender
- Down 1. Aque cousin
- 2. Defeat 3. Sir __ Guinness of
- film 4. Book jacket advertise-
- ment _, Argentina
- 6. 2,000 pounds 7. Combust
- 8. Sinales 9. Small batteries 11. Geometric computa-
- tions 12. Parliament's home
- 13. Toronto-born 60 Minutes regular Morley 14. Early French Canadian
- 19. Activate, as an elevator button
- 22. How-: instruction manuals 23. Uncle : Joel
- Chandler Harris character who told stories about Brer Rabbit, Brer Fox, etc. 24. Have real being
- 25. MTV viewer 26. Overact 27. In more pain
- 28. Asphalt : distinct-30. Nanaimo ive Canadian treats

31. 61 in Roman numerals

- afterthought 40. Shopping ___: mall 43. In the ___ of: among
- _: Bond player 47. Roger 48. Sign seen during
- broadcasting studio (2 wds.) Knight series
 - 50. Ontario-born Jeopardy! host Trebek 52. Simon and Garfunkel's
 - _ Rock" (3 wds.) 53. Bypass

BY MICHAEL WIESENBERG



33. Observe

- 35. Montreal-born Star Trek star William
- _ Letter to My Love: Melissa Manchester's romantic musical (2 wds.) 39. Abbr. at the end of a letter signalling a second
- 45. To the point
- broadcasting outside a
- 49. Christian of the Dark

- 54. Alberta export
- 55. End-of-summer mo. 57. Quebec summer

How to play Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and

Yesterday's Sudoku

1	2	7	9	6	6	4	8	3
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9	5	8	2	4	1	3	8	7
4	6	2	5	7	3	8	1	9
3	7	1	6	8	9	5	4	2
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3	7	1	6	8	9	5	4	2
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9k	\$15.20/g
8k/antique gold	\$10.13/a

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Gold Bars | Buy Price

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Maple Leaf (1 ounce Silver) \$31.79/coin

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